

Summary

The Software Development Kit (SDK) provides a variety of Xilinx® software packages, including drivers, libraries, board support packages, and complete operating systems to help you develop a software platform. This document collection provides information on these. Complete documentation for other operating systems can be found in their respective reference guides. Device drivers are documented along with the corresponding peripheral documentation. The documentation is listed in the following table; click the name to open the document.

Table 1-1: OS and Libraries Document Collection Contents

Document Name	Summary
LibXil Standard C Libraries	Describes the software libraries available for the embedded processors.
Standalone (v5.1)	Describes the Standalone platform, a single-threaded, simple operating system (OS) platform that provides the lowest layer of software modules used to access processor-specific functions. Some typical functions offered by the Standalone platform include setting up the interrupts and exceptions systems, configuring caches, and other hardware specific functions. The Hardware Abstraction Layer (HAL) is described in this document.
Xilkernel (v6.2)	Describes the Xilkernel, a simple embedded processor kernel that can be customized to a large degree for a given system. Xilkernel has the key features of an embedded kernel such as multi-tasking, priority-driven preemptive scheduling, inter-process communication, synchronization facilities, and interrupt handling. Xilkernel is small, modular, user-customizable, and can be used in different system configurations. Applications link statically with the kernel to form a single executable.
LibXil Memory File System (MFS) (v2.0)	Describes a simple, memory-based file system that can reside in RAM, ROM, or Flash memory.
lwIP 1.4.1 Library (v1.1)	Describes the SDK port of the third party networking library, Light Weight IP (lwIP) for embedded processors.
LibXil Flash (v4.0)	Describes the functionality provided in the flash programming library. This library provides access to flash memory devices that conform to the Common Flash Interface (CFI) standard. Intel and AMD CFI devices for some specific part layouts are currently supported.
LibXil Isf (v5.2)	Describes the In System Flash hardware library, which enables higher-layer software (such as an application) to communicate with the Isf. LibXil Isf supports the Xilinx In-System Flash and external Serial Flash memories from Atmel (AT45XXXD), Intel (S33), ST Microelectronics (STM) (M25PXX), Spansion(S25FLXX), Winbond W25QXX, and Numonyx/Micron N25QXX.
LibXil FFS (v3.0)	Xilffs is a generic FAT file system that is primarily added for use with SD/eMMC driver. The file system is open source and a glue layer is implemented to link it to the SD/eMMC driver. A link to the source of file system is provided in the PDF where the file system description can be found.

About the Libraries

The Standard C support library consists of the `newlib`, `libc`, which contains the standard C functions such as `stdio`, `stdlib`, and `string` routines. The math library is an enhancement over the `newlib` math library, `libm`, and provides the standard math routines.

The LibXil libraries consist of the following:

- LibXil Driver (Xilinx device drivers)
- LibXil MFS (Xilinx memory file system)
- LibXil Flash (a parallel flash programming library)
- LibXil Isf (a serial flash programming library)

There are two operating system options provided in the Xilinx software package: the Standalone Platform and Xilkernel.

The Hardware Abstraction Layer (HAL) provides common functions related to register IO, exception, and cache. These common functions are uniform across MicroBlaze™ and Cortex A9 processors. The Standalone platform document provides some processor specific functions and macros for accessing the processor-specific features.

Most routines in the library are written in C and can be ported to any platform.

User applications must include appropriate headers and link with required libraries for proper compilation and inclusion of required functionality. These libraries and their corresponding `include` files are created in the processor `\lib` and `\include` directories, under the current project, respectively. The `-I` and `-L` options of the compiler being used should be leveraged to add these directories to the search paths.

Library Organization

The organization of the libraries is illustrated in the figure below. As shown, your application can interface with the components in a variety of ways. The libraries are independent of each other, with the exception of some interactions. For example, Xilkernel uses the Standalone platform internally. The LibXil Drivers and the Standalone form the lowermost hardware abstraction layer. The library and OS components rely on standard C library components. The math library, `libm.a` is also available for linking with the user applications.

Note: “LibXil Drivers” are the device drivers included in the software platform to provide an interface to the peripherals in the system. These drivers are provided along with SDK and are configured by Libgen. This document collection contains a section that briefly discusses the concept of device drivers and the way they integrate with the board support package in SDK.

Taking into account some restrictions and implications, which are described in the reference guides for each component, you can mix and match the component libraries.

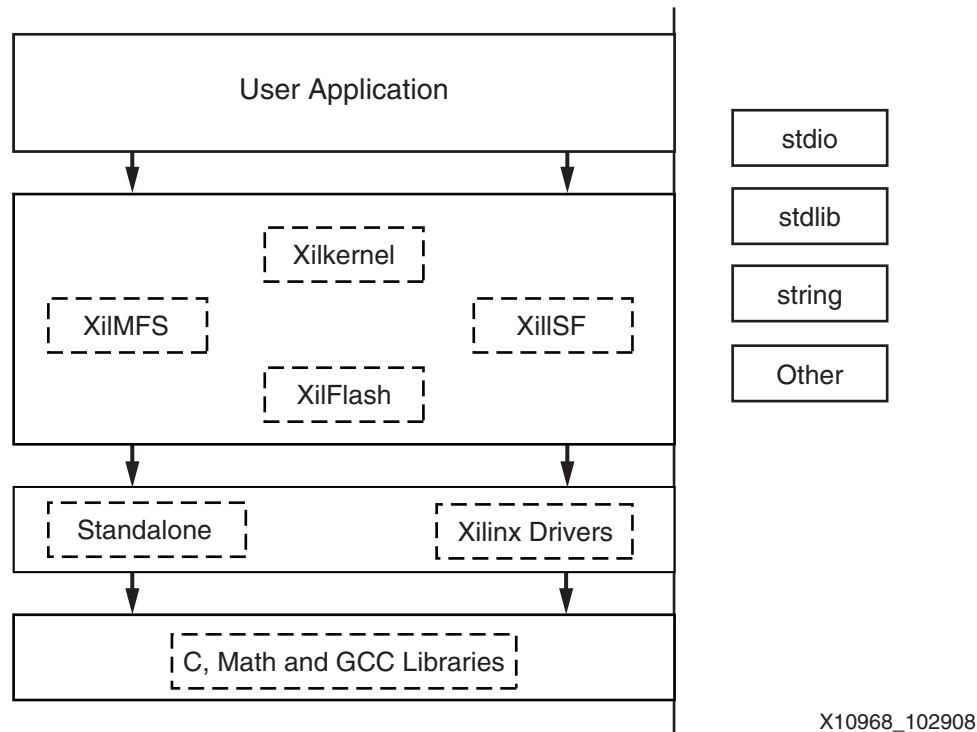


Figure 1: Library Organization

Additional Resources

Xilinx Documentation

For more Xilinx documentation, including Vivado® and Zynq® documentation, see the following resources:

- *MicroBlaze Processor Reference Guide* ([UG081](#))
- *Zynq-7000 All Programmable SoC Software Developers Guide* ([UG821](#))
- *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Release Notes, Installation, and Licensing* ([UG973](#))
- [Vivado Design Suite Documentation](#)

Revision History

The following table lists the revision history of the OS and Libraries Document Collection

Date	Version	Revision
06/24/2015	2015.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New version of LibXil Isf (v5.2).• New version of Standalone (v5.1).• New version of lwIP 1.4.1 Library (v1.1).
04/01/2015	2015.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New version of lwIP 141 (v1.0).• New version of XilIsf (v5.1).• New version of LibXil FFS (v3.0).• New version of Standalone (v5.0)• New version of Xilkernel (v6.2)

Overview

The Xilinx® Software Development Kit (SDK) libraries and device drivers provide standard C library functions, as well as functions to access peripherals. The SDK libraries are automatically configured based on the Microprocessor Software Specification (MSS) file. These libraries and include files are saved in the current project `lib` and `include` directories, respectively. The `-I` and `-L` options of `mb-gcc` are used to add these directories to its library search paths.

Additional Resources

- *MicroBlaze Processor Reference Guide (UG081)*
http://www.xilinx.com/ise/embedded/mb_ref_guide.pdf
- *Embedded System Tools Reference Manual (UG1043):*
http://www.xilinx.com/support/documentation/sw_manuals/xilinx2014_3/ug1043-embedded-system-tools.pdf

Standard C Library (libc.a)

The standard C library, `libc.a`, contains the standard C functions compiled for the MicroBlaze™ processor or the Cortex A9 processor. You can find the header files corresponding to these C standard functions in `<XILINX_SDK>/gnu/<processor>/<platform>/<processor-lib>/include`, where:

- `<XILINX_SDK>` is the `<Installation directory>`
- `<processor>` is `arm` or `microblaze`
- `<platform>` is `sol`, `nt`, or `lin`
- `<processor-lib>` is `arm-xilinx-eabi` or `microblaze-xilinx-elf`

The `lib.c` directories and functions are:

<code>_ansi.h</code>	<code>fastmath.h</code>	<code>machine/</code>	<code>reent.h</code>	<code>stdlib.h</code>	<code>utime.h</code>
<code>_syslist.h</code>	<code>fcntl.h</code>	<code>malloc.h</code>	<code>regdef.h</code>	<code>string.h</code>	<code>utmp.h</code>
<code>ar.h</code>	<code>float.h</code>	<code>math.h</code>	<code>setjmp.h</code>	<code>sys/</code>	
<code>assert.h</code>	<code>grp.h</code>	<code>paths.h</code>	<code>signal.h</code>	<code>termios.h</code>	
<code>ctype.h</code>	<code>ieeefp.h</code>	<code>process.h</code>	<code>stdarg.h</code>	<code>time.h</code>	
<code>dirent.h</code>	<code>limits.h</code>	<code>pthread.h</code>	<code>stddef.h</code>	<code>unctrl.h</code>	
<code>errno.h</code>	<code>locale.h</code>	<code>pwd.h</code>	<code>stdio.h</code>	<code>unistd.h</code>	

Programs accessing standard C library functions must be compiled as follows:

For MicroBlaze processors:

```
mb-gcc <C files>
```

For Cortex A9 processors:

```
arm-xilinx-eabi-gcc <C files>
```

The `libc` library is included automatically.

For programs that access `libm` math functions, specify the `lm` option.

Refer to the “MicroBlaze Application Binary Interface (ABI)” section in the *MicroBlaze Processor Reference Guide (UG081)* for information on the C Runtime Library. “[Additional Resources](#),” [page 1](#) contains a link to the document.

Xilinx C Library (libxil.a)

The Xilinx® C library, `libxil.a`, contains the following object files for the MicroBlaze™ processor embedded processor:

```
_exception_handler.o
_interrupt_handler.o
_program_clean.o
_program_init.o
```

Default exception and interrupt handlers are provided. The `libxil.a` library is included automatically.

Programs accessing Xilinx C library functions must be compiled as follows:

```
mb-gcc <C files>
```

Input/Output Functions

The SDK libraries contains standard C functions for I/O, such as `printf` and `scanf`. These functions are large and might not be suitable for embedded processors.

The prototypes for these functions are in `stdio.h`.

Note: The C standard I/O routines such as `printf`, `scanf`, `vfprintf` are, by default, line buffered. To change the buffering scheme to no buffering, you must call `setvbuf` appropriately. For example:

```
setvbuf (stdout, NULL, _IONBF, 0);
```

These Input/Output routines require that a newline is terminated with both a CR and LF. Ensure that your terminal CR/LF behavior corresponds to this requirement.

Refer to the “Microprocessor Software Specification (MSS)” chapter in the *Embedded System Tools Reference Manual (UG1043)* for information on setting the standard input and standard output devices for a system. “[Additional Resources](#),” [page 1](#) contains a link to the document.

In addition to the standard C functions, the SDK processors library provides the following smaller I/O functions:

```
void print (char *)
```

This function prints a string to the peripheral designated as standard output in the Microprocessor Software Specification (MSS) file. This function outputs the passed string as is and there is no interpretation of the string passed. For example, a “\n” passed is interpreted as a new line character and not as a carriage return and a new line as is the case with ANSI C `printf` function.

```
void putnum (int)
```

This function converts an integer to a hexadecimal string and prints it to the peripheral designated as standard output in the MSS file.

```
void xil_printf (const *char ctrl1,...)
```

`xil_printf` is a light-weight implementation of `printf`. It is much smaller in size (only 1 kB). It does not have support for floating point numbers. `xil_printf` also does not support printing of long (such as 64-bit) numbers.

Note: About Format String Support:

The format string is composed of zero or more directives: ordinary characters (not %), which are copied unchanged to the output stream; and conversion specifications, each of which results in fetching zero or more subsequent arguments. Each conversion specification is introduced by the character %, and ends with a conversion specifier. In between there can be (in order) zero or more flags, an optional minimum field width and an optional precision. Supported flag characters are:

The character % is followed by zero or more of the following flags:

- 0 The value should be zero padded. For `d`, `x` conversions, the converted value is padded on the left with zeros rather than blanks.
If the 0 and - flags both appear, the 0 flag is ignored.
- The converted value is to be left adjusted on the field boundary.
(The default is right justification.) Except for `n` conversions, the converted value is padded on the right with blanks, rather than on the left with blanks or zeros. A - overrides a 0 if both are given.

Note: About Supported Field Widths:

Field widths are represented with an optional decimal digit string (with a nonzero in the first digit) specifying a minimum field width. If the converted value has fewer characters than the field width, it is padded with spaces on the left (or right, if the left-adjustment flag has been given). The supported conversion specifiers are:

- `d` The `int` argument is converted to signed decimal notation.
- `l` The `int` argument is converted to a signed long notation.
- `x` The `unsigned int` argument is converted to unsigned hexadecimal notation. The letters `abcdef` are used for `x` conversions.
- `c` The `int` argument is converted to an unsigned char, and the resulting character is written.
- `s` The `const char*` argument is expected to be a pointer to an array of character type (pointer to a string).
Characters from the array are written up to (but not including) a terminating `NULL` character; if a precision is specified, no more than the number specified are written. If a precision `s` given, no null character need be present; if the precision is not specified, or is greater than the size of the array, the array must contain a terminating `NULL` character.

Memory Management Functions

The MicroBlaze processor and Cortex A9 processor C libraries support the standard memory management functions such as `malloc()`, `calloc()`, and `free()`. Dynamic memory allocation provides memory from the program heap. The heap pointer starts at low memory and grows toward high memory. The size of the heap cannot be increased at runtime. Therefore an appropriate value must be provided for the heap size at compile time. The `malloc()` function requires the heap to be at least 128 bytes in size to be able to allocate memory dynamically (even if the dynamic requirement is less than 128 bytes). The return value of `malloc` must always be checked to ensure that it could actually allocate the memory requested.

Arithmetic Operations

Software implementations of integer and floating point arithmetic is available as library routines in `libgcc.a` for both processors. The compiler for both the processors inserts calls to these routines in the code produced, in case the hardware does not support the arithmetic primitive with an instruction.

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Integer Arithmetic

By default, integer multiplication is done in software using the library function `__mulsi3`. Integer multiplication is done in hardware if the `mb-gcc` option, `-mno-xl-soft-mul`, is specified.

Integer divide and mod operations are done in software using the library functions `__divsi3` and `__modsi3`. The MicroBlaze processor can also be customized to use a hard divider, in which case the `div` instruction is used in place of the `__divsi3` library routine.

Double precision multiplication, division and mod functions are carried out by the library functions `__mulldi3`, `__divldi3`, and `__modldi3`, respectively.

The unsigned version of these operations correspond to the signed versions described above, but are prefixed with an `__u` instead of `__`.

Floating Point Arithmetic

All floating point addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and conversions are implemented using software functions in the C library.

Thread Safety

The standard C library provided with SDK is not built for a multi-threaded environment. STDIO functions like `printf()`, `scanf()` and memory management functions like `malloc()` and `free()` are common examples of functions that are not thread-safe. When using the C library in a multi-threaded environment, proper mutual exclusion techniques must be used to protect thread unsafe functions.

Summary

Standalone is the lowest layer of software modules used to access processor specific functions. Standalone is used when an application accesses board/processor features directly and is below the operating system layer.

This document contains the following sections:

- [MicroBlaze Processor API](#)
- [Cortex A9 Processor API](#)
- [Xilinx Hardware Abstraction Layer](#)
- [Program Profiling](#)
- [Configuring the Standalone OS](#)
- [MicroBlaze MMU Example](#)

MicroBlaze Processor API

The following list is a summary of the MicroBlaze™ processor API sections. You can click on a link to go directly to the function section.

- [MicroBlaze Processor Interrupt Handling](#)
- [MicroBlaze Processor Exception Handling](#)
- [MicroBlaze Processor Instruction Cache Handling](#)
- [MicroBlaze Processor Data Cache Handling](#)
- [MicroBlaze Processor Fast Simplex Link \(FSL\) Interface Macros](#)
- [MicroBlaze Processor FSL Macro Flags](#)
- [MicroBlaze Processor Pseudo-asm Macro Summary](#)
- [MicroBlaze Processor Version Register \(PVR\) Access Routine and Macros](#)
- [MicroBlaze Processor File Handling](#)
- [MicroBlaze Processor Errno](#)

MicroBlaze Processor Interrupt Handling

The interrupt handling functions help manage interrupt handling on MicroBlaze processor devices. To use these functions, include the header file `mb_interface.h` in your source code.

MicroBlaze Processor Interrupt Handling Function Descriptions

```
void microblaze_enable_interrupts(void)
```

Enable interrupts on the MicroBlaze processor. When the MicroBlaze processor starts up, interrupts are disabled. Interrupts must be explicitly turned on using this function.

```
void microblaze_disable_interrupts(void)
```

Disable interrupts on the MicroBlaze processor. This function can be called when entering a critical section of code where a context switch is undesirable.

```
void microblaze_register_handler(XInterruptHandler  
    Handler, void *DataPtr)
```

Register the interrupt handler for the MicroBlaze processor. This handler is invoked in turn, by the first level interrupt handler that is present in Standalone.

The first level interrupt handler saves and restores registers, as necessary for interrupt handling, so that the function you register with this handler can be dedicated to the other aspects of interrupt handling, without the overhead of saving and restoring registers.

MicroBlaze Processor Exception Handling

This section describes the exception handling functionality available on the MicroBlaze processor. This feature and the corresponding interfaces are not available on versions of the MicroBlaze processor older than v3.00.a.

Note: These functions work correctly only when the parameters that determine hardware exception handling are configured appropriately in the MicroBlaze Microprocessor Hardware Specification (MHS) hardware block. For example, you can register a handler for divide by zero exceptions only if hardware divide by zero exceptions are enabled on the MicroBlaze processor. Refer to the *MicroBlaze Processor Reference Guide (UG081)* for information on how to configure these cache parameters. A link to that document can be found in [“MicroBlaze Processor API,” page 1](#).

MicroBlaze Processor Exception Handler Function Descriptions

The following functions help manage exceptions on the MicroBlaze processor. You must include the `mb_interface.h` header file in your source code to use these functions.

```
void microblaze_disable_exceptions(void)
```

Disable hardware exceptions from the MicroBlaze processor. This routine clears the appropriate “exceptions enable” bit in the model-specific register (MSR) of the processor.

```
void microblaze_enable_exceptions(void)
```

Enable hardware exceptions from the MicroBlaze processor. This routine sets the appropriate “exceptions enable” bit in the MSR of the processor.

```
void microblaze_register_exception_handler(u8  
    ExceptionId, XExceptionHandler Handler, void *DataPtr)
```

Register a handler for the specified exception type. *Handler* is the function that handles the specified exception.

DataPtr is a callback data value that is passed to the exception handler at run-time. By default the exception ID of the corresponding exception is passed to the handler.

Table 1 describes the valid exception IDs, which are defined in the `microblaze_exceptions_i.h` file.

Table 1: Valid Exception IDs

Exception ID	Value	Description
XEXC_ID_FSL	0	FSL bus exceptions.
XEXC_ID_UNALIGNED_ACCESS	1	Unaligned access exceptions.
XEXC_ID_ILLEGAL_OPCODE	2	Exception due to an attempt to execute an illegal opcode.
XEXC_ID_M_AXI_I_EXCEPTION(1)	3	Exception due to a timeout from the Instruction side system bus.
XEXC_ID_M_AXI_D_EXCEPTION(1)	4	Exception due to a timeout on the Data side system bus.
XEXC_ID_DIV_BY_ZERO	5	Divide by zero exceptions from the hardware divide.
XEXC_ID_FPU	6	Exceptions from the floating point unit on the MicroBlaze processor. Note: This exception is valid only on v4.0 and later versions of the MicroBlaze processor.
XEXC_ID_MMU	7	Exceptions from the MicroBlaze processor MMU. All possible MMU exceptions are vectored to the same handler. Note: This exception is valid only on v7.00.a and later versions of the MicroBlaze processor.

By default, Standalone provides empty, no-op handlers for all the exceptions *except* unaligned exceptions. A default, fast, unaligned access exception handler is provided by Standalone.

An unaligned exception can be handled by making the corresponding aligned access to the appropriate bytes in memory. Unaligned access is transparently handled by the default handler. However, software that makes a significant amount of unaligned accesses will see the performance effects of this at run-time. This is because the software exception handler takes much longer to satisfy the unaligned access request as compared to an aligned access.

In some cases you might want to use the provision for unaligned exceptions to just trap the exception, and to be aware of what software is causing the exception. In this case, you should set breakpoints at the unaligned exception handler, to trap the dynamic occurrence of such an exception or register your own custom handler for unaligned exceptions.

Note: The lowest layer of exception handling, always provided by Standalone, stores volatile and temporary registers on the stack; consequently, your custom handlers for exceptions must take into consideration that the first level exception handler will have saved some state on the stack, before invoking your handler.

Nested exceptions are allowed by the MicroBlaze processor. The exception handler, in its prologue, re-enables exceptions. Thus, exceptions within exception handlers are allowed and handled. When the `predecode_fpu_exceptions` parameter is set to `true`, it causes the low-level exception handler to:

- Decode the faulting floating point instruction
- Determine the operand registers
- Store their values into two global variables

You can register a handler for floating point exceptions and retrieve the values of the operands from the global variables. You can use the `microblaze_getfpex_operand_a()` and `microblaze_getfpex_operand_b()` macros.

Note: These macros return the operand values of the last floating point (FP) exception. If there are nested exceptions, you cannot retrieve the values of outer exceptions. An FP instruction might have one of the source registers being the same as the destination operand. In this case, the faulting instruction overwrites the input operand value and it is again irrecoverable.

MicroBlaze Processor Instruction Cache Handling

The following functions help manage instruction caches on the MicroBlaze processor. You must include the `xil_cache.h` header file in your source code to use these functions.

Note: These functions work correctly only when the parameters that determine the caching system are configured appropriately in the MicroBlaze Microprocessor Hardware Specification (MHS) hardware block. Refer to the *MicroBlaze Reference Guide (UG081)* for information on how to configure these cache parameters. “[MicroBlaze Processor API](#),” page 1 contains a link to this document.

MicroBlaze Processor Instruction Cache Handling Function Descriptions

```
void Xil_ICacheEnable(void)
```

Enable the instruction cache on the MicroBlaze processor. When the MicroBlaze processor starts up, the instruction cache is disabled. The instruction cache must be explicitly turned on using this function.

```
void Xil_ICacheDisable(void)
```

Disable the instruction cache on the MicroBlaze processor.

```
void Xil_ICacheInvalidate()
```

Invalidate the instruction icache.

Note: For MicroBlaze processors prior to version v7.20.a, the cache and interrupts are disabled before invalidation starts and restored to their previous state after invalidation.

```
void Xil_ICacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int cache_addr,
                               unsigned int cache_size)
```

Invalidate the specified range in the instruction icache. This function can be used for invalidating all or part of the instruction icache.

The parameter `cache_addr` indicates the beginning of the cache location to be invalidated. The `cache_size` represents the number of bytes from the `cache_addr` to invalidate.

Note that *cache lines* are invalidated starting from the cache line to which `cache_addr` belongs and ending at the cache line containing the address (`cache_addr + cache_size - 1`).

For example, `Xil_ICacheInvalidateRange(0x00000300, 0x100)` invalidates the instruction cache region from 0x300 to 0x3ff (0x100 bytes of cache memory is cleared starting from 0x300).

If the L2 cache system (system cache) is present in the hardware system, this function invalidates relevant cache lines in the L2 cache as well. The invalidation starts with the L2 cache and moves to the L1 cache.

Note: For MicroBlaze processors prior to version v7.20.a: The cache and interrupts are disabled before invalidation starts and restored to their previous state after invalidation.

MicroBlaze Processor Data Cache Handling

The following functions help manage data caches on the MicroBlaze processor. You must include the header file `xil_cache.h` in your source code to use these functions.

Note: These functions work correctly only when the parameters that determine the caching system are configured appropriately in the MicroBlaze MHS hardware block. Refer to the *MicroBlaze Processor Reference Guide (UG081)* for information on how to configure these cache parameters. “[MicroBlaze Processor API](#),” page 1 contains a link to this document.

Data Cache Handling Functions

```
void Xil_DCacheEnable(void)
```

Enable the data cache on the MicroBlaze processor. When the MicroBlaze processor starts up, the data cache is disabled. The data cache must be explicitly turned on using this function.

```
void Xil_DCache_Disable(void)
```

Disable the data cache on the MicroBlaze processor. If writeback caches are enabled in the MicroBlaze processor hardware, this function also flushes the dirty data in the cache back to external memory and invalidates the cache. For write through caches, this function does not do any extra processing other than disabling the cache.

If the L2 cache system is present in the hardware, this function flushes the L2 cache before disabling the DCache.

```
void Xil_DCacheFlush()
```

Flush the entire data cache. This function can be used when write-back caches are turned on in the MicroBlaze processor hardware. Executing this function ensures that the dirty data in the cache is written back to external memory and the contents invalidated.

If the L2 cache system is present in the hardware, this function flushes the L2 cache first, before flushing the L1 cache.

```
void Xil_DCacheFlushRange(unsigned int cache_addr,  
                           unsigned int cache_len)
```

Flush the specified data cache range. This function can be used when write-back caches are enabled in the MicroBlaze processor hardware. Executing this function ensures that the dirty data in the cache range is written back to external memory and the contents of the cache range are invalidated. Note that *cache lines* will be flushed starting from the cache line to which *cache_addr* belongs and ending at the cache line containing the address (*cache_addr* + *cache_size* - 1).

If the L2 cache system is present in the hardware, this function flushes the relevant L2 cache range first, before flushing the L1 cache range.

For example, `Xil_DCacheFlushRange (0x00000300, 0x100)` flushes the data cache region from 0x300 to 0x3ff (0x100 bytes of cache memory is flushed starting from 0x300).

```
void Xil_DCacheInvalidate()
```

Invalidate the data cache.

If the L2 cache system is present in the hardware, this function invalidates the L2 cache first, before invalidating the L1 cache.

Note: For MicroBlaze processors prior to version v7.20.a, the cache and interrupts are disabled before invalidation starts and restored to their previous state after invalidation.

```
void Xil_DCacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int cache_addr,
                               unsigned int cache_size)
```

Invalidate the data cache. This function can be used for invalidating all or part of the data cache. The parameter *cache_addr* indicates the beginning of the cache location and *cache_size* represents the size from *cache_addr* to invalidate.

Note that *cache lines* will be invalidated starting from the cache line to which *cache_addr* belongs and ending at the cache line containing the address (*cache_addr* + *cache_size* - 1).

If the L2 cache system is present in the hardware, this function invalidates the relevant L2 cache range first, before invalidating the L1 cache range.

Note: For MicroBlaze processors prior to version v7.20.a, the cache and interrupts are disabled before invalidation starts and restored to their previous state after invalidation.

For example, `Xil_DCacheInvalidateRange (0x00000300, 0x100)` invalidates the data cache region from 0x300 to 0x3ff (0x100 bytes of cache memory is cleared starting from 0x300).

Software Sequence for Initializing Instruction and Data Caches

Typically, before using the cache, your program must perform a particular sequence of cache operations to ensure that invalid/dirty data in the cache is not being used by the processor. This would typically happen during repeated program downloads and executions.

The following example snippets show the necessary software sequence for initializing instruction and data caches in your program.

```
/* Initialize ICache */
Xil_ICacheInvalidate ();
Xil_ICacheEnable ();

/* Initialize DCache */
Xil_DCacheInvalidate ();
Xil_DCacheEnable ();
```

At the end of your program, you should also put in a sequence similar to the example snippet below. This ensures that the cache and external memory are left in a valid and clean state.

```
/* Clean up DCache. For writeback caches, the disable_dcache routine
   internally does the flush and invalidate. For write through caches,
   an explicit invalidation must be performed on the entire cache. */

#if XPAR_MICROBLAZE_DCACHE_USE_WRITEBACK == 0
Xil_DCacheInvalidate ();
#endif

Xil_DCacheDisable ();

/* Clean up ICache */
Xil_ICacheInvalidate ();
Xil_ICacheDisable ();
```

MicroBlaze Processor Fast Simplex Link (FSL) Interface Macros

Standalone includes macros to provide convenient access to accelerators connected to the MicroBlaze Fast Simplex Link (FSL) Interfaces.

MicroBlaze Processor Fast Simplex Link (FSL) Interface Macro Summary

The following is a list of the available macros. Click on a macro name to go to the description of the active macros.

getfslx(val,id,flags)	putdfslx(val,id,flags)
putfslx(val,id,flags)	tgetdfslx(val,id,flags)
tgetfslx(val,id,flags)	tputdfslx(val,id,flags)
getdfslx(val,id,flags)	fsl_isinvalid(invalid)
	fsl_iserror(error)

MicroBlaze Processor FSL Macro Descriptions

The following macros provide access to all of the functionality of the MicroBlaze FSL feature in one simple and parameterized interface. Some capabilities are available on MicroBlaze v7.00.a and later only, as noted in the descriptions.

In the macro descriptions, *val* refers to a variable in your program that can be the source or sink of the FSL operation.

Note: *id* must be an integer *literal* in the basic versions of the macro (`getfslx`, `putfslx`, `tgetfslx`, `tputfslx`) and can be an integer literal or an integer variable in the dynamic versions of the macros (`getdfslx`, `putdfslx`, `tgetdfslx`, `tputdfslx`.)

You must include `fsl.h` in your source files to make these macros available.

getfslx(*val*, *id*, *flags*)

Performs a get function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier and is a literal in the range of 0 to 7 (0 to 15 for MicroBlaze v7.00.a and later). The semantics of the instruction is determined by the valid FSL macro flags, which are listed in [Table 2, page 9](#).

putfslx(*val*, *id*, *flags*)

Performs a put function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier and is a literal in the range of 0 to 7 (0 to 15 for MicroBlaze processor v7.00.a and later).

The semantics of the instruction is determined by the valid FSL macro flags, which are listed in [Table 2, page 9](#).

tgetfslx(*val*, *id*, *flags*)

Performs a test get function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier and is a literal in the ranging of 0 to 7 (0 to 15 for MicroBlaze v7.00.a and later). This macro can be used to test reading a single value from the FSL. The semantics of the instruction is determined by the valid FSL macro flags, which are listed in [Table 2, page 9](#).

tputfslx(*val*, *id*, *flags*)

Performs a put function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier and is a literal in the range of 0 to 7 (0 to 15 for MicroBlaze processor v7.00.a and later). This macro can be used to test writing a single value to the FSL. The semantics of the put instruction is determined by the valid FSL macro flags, which are listed in [Table 2, page 9](#).

getd fslx(*val*, *id*, *flags*)

Performs a get function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier and is an integer value or variable in the range of 0 to 15. The semantics of the instruction is determined by the valid FSL macro flags, which are listed in [Table 2, page 9](#). This macro is available on MicroBlaze processor v7.00.a and later only.

putdfslx(*val*, *id*, *flags*)

Performs a put function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier and is an integer value or variable in the range of 0 to 15. The semantics of the instruction is determined by the valid FSL macro flags, which are listed in [Table 2, page 9](#). This macro is available on MicroBlaze processor v7.00.a and later only.

tgetdfslx(*val*, *id*, *flags*)

Performs a test get function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier and is an integer or variable in the range of 0 to 15. This macro can be used to test reading a single value from the FSL. The semantics of the instruction is determined by the valid FSL macro flags, listed in [Table 2](#). This macro is available on MicroBlaze processor v7.00.a and later only.

tputdfslx(*val*, *id*, *flags*)

Performs a put function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier and is an integer or variable in the range of 0 to 15. This macro can be used to test writing a single value to the FSL. The semantics of the instruction is determined by the valid FSL macro flags, listed in [Table 2](#). This macro is available on MicroBlaze processor v7.00.a and later only.

fsl_isinvalid(*invalid*)

Checks if the last FSL operation returned valid data. This macro is applicable after invoking a non-blocking FSL put or get instruction. If there was no data on the FSL channel on a get, or if the FSL channel was full on a put, *invalid* is set to 1; otherwise, it is set to 0.

fsl_iserror(*error*)

This macro is used to check if the last FSL operation set an error flag. This macro is applicable after invoking a control FSL put or get instruction. If the control bit was set *error* is set to 1; otherwise, it is set to 0.

MicroBlaze Processor FSL Macro Flags

Table 2 lists the available FSL Macro flags.

Table 2: FSL Macro Flags

Flag	Description
FSL_DEFAULT	Blocking semantics (on MicroBlaze processor v7.00.a and later this mode is interruptible).
FSL_NONBLOCKING	Non-blocking semantics. ¹
FSL_EXCEPTION	Generate exceptions on control bit mismatch. ²
FSL_CONTROL	Control semantics.
FSL_ATOMIC	Atomic semantics. A sequence of FSL instructions cannot be interrupted.
FSL_NONBLOCKING_EXCEPTION	Combines non-blocking and exception semantics.
FSL_NONBLOCKING_CONTROL	Combines non-blocking and control semantics.
FSL_NONBLOCKING_ATOMIC	Combines non-blocking and atomic semantics.
FSL_EXCEPTION_CONTROL	Combines exception and control semantics.
FSL_EXCEPTION_ATOMIC	Combines exception and atomic semantics.
FSL_CONTROL_ATOMIC	Combines control and atomic semantics.
FSL_NONBLOCKING_EXCEPTION_CONTROL	Combines non-blocking, exception, and control semantics. ²
FSL_NONBLOCKING_EXCEPTION_ATOMIC	Combines non-blocking, exception, and atomic semantics.
FSL_NONBLOCKING_CONTROL_ATOMIC	Combines non-blocking, atomic, and control semantics.
FSL_EXCEPTION_CONTROL_ATOMIC	Combines exception, atomic, and control semantics.
FSL_NONBLOCKING_EXCEPTION_CONTROL_ATOMIC	Combines non-blocking, exception, control, and atomic semantics.

1. When non-blocking semantics are not applied, blocking semantics are implied.

2. This combination of flags is available only on MicroBlaze processor v7.00.a and later versions.

Deprecated MicroBlaze Processor Fast Simplex Link (FSL) Macros

The following macros are deprecated:

getfsl(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs a blocking data get function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7. This macro is uninterruptible.

putfsl(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs a blocking data put function on an output FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7. This macro is uninterruptible.

ngetfsl(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs a non-blocking data get function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7.

nputfsl(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs a non-blocking data put function on an output FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7.

cgetfsl(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs a blocking control get function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7. This macro is uninterruptible.

cputfsl(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs a blocking control put function on an output FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7. This macro is uninterruptible.

ncgetfsl(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs a non-blocking control get function on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7.

ncputfsl(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs a non-blocking control put function on an output FSL of the MicroBlaze processor; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7.

getfsl_interruptible(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs repeated non-blocking data get operations on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor until valid data is actually fetched; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7. Because the FSL access is non-blocking, interrupts will be serviced by the processor.

putfsl_interruptible(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs repeated non-blocking data put operations on an output FSL of the MicroBlaze processor until valid data is sent out; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7. Because the FSL access is non-blocking, interrupts will be serviced by the processor.

cgetfsl_interruptible(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs repeated non-blocking control get operations on an input FSL of the MicroBlaze processor until valid data is actually fetched; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7. Because the FSL access is non-blocking, interrupts are serviced by the processor.

cputfsl_interruptible(*val*, *id*) (deprecated)

Performs repeated non-blocking control put operations on an output FSL of the MicroBlaze processor until valid data is sent out; *id* is the FSL identifier in the range of 0 to 7. Because the FSL access is non-blocking, interrupts are serviced by the processor.

MicroBlaze Processor Pseudo-asm Macros

Standalone includes macros to provide convenient access to various registers in the MicroBlaze processor. Some of these macros are very useful within exception handlers for retrieving information about the exception. To use these macros, you must include the `mb_interface.h` header file in your source code.

MicroBlaze Processor Pseudo-asm Macro Summary

The following is a summary of the MicroBlaze processor pseudo-asm macros. Click on the macro name to go to the description.

[mfgpr\(rn\)](#)
[mfmsr\(\)](#)
[mfesr\(\)](#)
[mfear\(\)](#)
[mffsr\(\)](#)
[mtmsr\(v\)](#)
[mtgpr\(rn,v\)](#)
[microblaze_getfpex_operand_a\(\)](#)
[microblaze_getfpex_operand_b\(\)](#)
[clz\(v\)](#)
[mbar\(mask\)](#)
[mb_swapb\(v\)](#)
[mb_swaph\(v\)](#)
[mb_sleep](#)

MicroBlaze Processor Pseudo-asm Macro Descriptions

mfgpr (*rn*)

Return value from the general purpose register (GPR) *rn*.

mfmsr ()

Return the current value of the MSR.

mfesr ()

Return the current value of the Exception Status Register (ESR).

mfear ()

Return the current value of the Exception Address Register (EAR).

mffsr ()

Return the current value of the Floating Point Status (FPS).

mtmsr (*v*)

Move the value *v* to MSR.

mtgpr (*rn*, *v*)

Move the value *v* to GPR *rn*.

microblaze_getfpex_operand_a ()

Return the saved value of operand A of the last faulting floating point instruction.

microblaze_getfpex_operand_b ()

Return the saved value of operand B of the last faulting floating point instruction.

Note: Because of the way some of these macros have been written, they cannot be used as parameters to function calls and other such constructs.

clz (*v*)

Counts the number of leading zeros in the data specified by *v*

mbar (*mask*)

This instruction ensures that outstanding memory accesses on memory interfaces are completed before any subsequent instructions are executed. *mask* value of 1 specifies data side barrier, *mask* value of 2 specifies instruction side barrier and *mask* value of 16 specifies to put the processor in sleep.

mb_swapb (*v*)

Swaps the bytes in the data specified by *v*. This converts the bytes in the data from little endian to big endian or vice versa. So *v* contains a value of 0x12345678, the macro will return a value of 0x78563412.

mb_swaph (*v*)

Swaps the half words in the data specified by *v*. So if *v* has a value of 0x12345678, the macro will return a value of 0x56781234.

mb_sleep

Puts the processor in sleep.

MicroBlaze Processor Version Register (PVR) Access Routine and Macros

MicroBlaze processor v5.00.a and later versions have configurable Processor Version Registers (PVRs). The contents of the PVR are captured using the `pvr_t` data structure, which is defined as an array of 32-bit words, with each word corresponding to a PVR register on hardware. The number of PVR words is determined by the number of PVRs configured in the hardware. You should not attempt to access PVR registers that are not present in hardware, as the `pvr_t` data structure is resized to hold only as many PVRs as are present in hardware.

To access information in the PVR:

1. Use the `microblaze_get_pvr()` function to populate the PVR data into a `pvr_t` data structure.
2. In subsequent steps, you can use any one of the PVR access macros list to get individual data stored in the PVR.

Note: The PVR access macros take a parameter, which must be of type `pvr_t`.

PVR Access Routine

The following routine is used to access the PVR. You must include `pvr.h` file to make this routine available.

```
int microblaze_get_pvr(pvr_t *pvr)
```

Populate the PVR data structure to which `pvr` points with the values of the hardware PVR registers. This routine populates only as many PVRs as are present in hardware and the rest are zeroed. This routine is not available if `C_PVR` is set to `NONE` in hardware.

PVR Macros

The following processor macros are used to access the PVR. You must include `pvr.h` file to make these macros available.

[Table 3](#) lists the MicroBlaze processor PVR macros and descriptions.

Table 3: PVR Access Macros

Macro	Description
<code>MICROBLAZE_PVR_IS_FULL(pvr)</code>	Return non-zero integer if PVR is of type FULL, 0 if basic.
<code>MICROBLAZE_PVR_USE_BARREL(pvr)</code>	Return non-zero integer if hardware barrel shifter present.
<code>MICROBLAZE_PVR_USE_DIV(pvr)</code>	Return non-zero integer if hardware divider present.
<code>MICROBLAZE_PVR_USE_HW_MUL(pvr)</code>	Return non-zero integer if hardware multiplier present.
<code>MICROBLAZE_PVR_USE_FPU(pvr)</code>	Return non-zero integer if hardware floating point unit (FPU) present.
<code>MICROBLAZE_PVR_USE_FPU2(pvr)</code>	Return non-zero integer if hardware floating point conversion and square root instructions are present.
<code>MICROBLAZE_PVR_USE_ICACHE(pvr)</code>	Return non-zero integer if I-cache present.
<code>MICROBLAZE_PVR_USE_DCACHE(pvr)</code>	Return non-zero integer if D-cache present.

Table 3: PVR Access Macros (Cont'd)

Macro	Description
MICROBLAZE_PVR_MICROBLAZE_VERSION (pvr)	Return MicroBlaze processor version encoding. Refer to the <i>MicroBlaze Processor Reference Guide (UG081)</i> for mappings from encodings to actual hardware versions. “MicroBlaze Processor API,” page 1 contains a link to this document.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_USER1 (pvr)	Return the USER1 field stored in the PVR.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_USER2 (pvr)	Return the USER2 field stored in the PVR.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_INTERCONNECT (pvr)	Return non-zero if MicroBlaze processor has PLB interconnect; otherwise return zero.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_D_PLB (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if Data Side PLB interface is present.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_D_OPB (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if Data Side On-chip Peripheral Bus (OPB) interface present.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_D_LMB (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if Data Side Local Memory Bus (LMB) interface present.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_I_PLB (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if Instruction Side PLB interface is present.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_I_OPB (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if Instruction side OPB interface present.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_I_LMB (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if Instruction side LMB interface present.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_INTERRUPT_IS_EDGE (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if interrupts are configured as edge-triggered.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_EDGE_IS_POSITIVE (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if interrupts are configured as positive edge triggered.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_USE_MUL64 (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if MicroBlaze processor supports 64-bit products for multiplies.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_OPCODE_0x0_ILLEGAL (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if opcode 0x0 is treated as an illegal opcode.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_UNALIGNED_EXCEPTION (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if unaligned exceptions are supported.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_ILL_OPCODE_EXCEPTION (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if illegal opcode exceptions are supported.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_IOPB_EXCEPTION (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if I-OPB exceptions are supported.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DOPB_EXCEPTION (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if D-OPB exceptions are supported.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_IPLB_EXCEPTION (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if I-PLB exceptions are supported.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DPLB_EXCEPTION (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if D-PLB exceptions are supported.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DIV_ZERO_EXCEPTION (pvr)	Return non-zero integer if divide by zero exceptions are supported.

Table 3: PVR Access Macros (Cont'd)

Macro	Description
MICROBLAZE_PVR_FPU_EXCEPTION(pvr)	Return non-zero integer if FPU exceptions are supported.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_FSL_EXCEPTION(pvr)	Return non-zero integer if FSL exceptions are present.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DEBUG_ENABLED(pvr)	Return non-zero integer if debug is enabled.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_NUM_PC_BRK(pvr)	Return the number of hardware PC breakpoints available.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_NUM_RD_ADDR_BRK(pvr)	Return the number of read address hardware watchpoints supported.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_NUM_WR_ADDR_BRK(pvr)	Return the number of write address hardware watchpoints supported.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_FSL_LINKS(pvr)	Return the number of FSL links present.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_ICACHE_BASEADDR(pvr)	Return the base address of the I-cache.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_ICACHE_HIGHADDR(pvr)	Return the high address of the I-cache.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_ICACHE_ADDR_TAG_BITS(pvr)	Return the number of address tag bits for the I-cache.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_ICACHE_USE_FSL(pvr)	Return non-zero if I-cache uses FSL links.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_ICACHE_ALLOW_WR(pvr)	Return non-zero if writes to I-caches are allowed.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_ICACHE_LINE_LEN(pvr)	Return the length of each I-cache line in bytes.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_ICACHE_BYTE_SIZE(pvr)	Return the size of the D-cache in bytes.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DCACHE_BASEADDR(pvr)	Return the base address of the D-cache.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DCACHE_HIGHADDR(pvr)	Return the high address of the D-cache.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DCACHE_ADDR_TAG_BITS(pvr)	Return the number of address tag bits for the D-cache.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DCACHE_USE_FSL(pvr)	Return non-zero if the D-cache uses FSL links.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DCACHE_ALLOW_WR(pvr)	Return non-zero if writes to D-cache are allowed.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DCACHE_LINE_LEN(pvr)	Return the length of each line in the D-cache in bytes.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_DCACHE_BYTE_SIZE(pvr)	Return the size of the D-cache in bytes.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_TARGET_FAMILY(pvr)	Return the encoded target family identifier.

Table 3: PVR Access Macros (Cont'd)

Macro	Description
MICROBLAZE_PVR_MSR_RESET_VALUE	Refer to the <i>MicroBlaze Processor Reference Guide (UG081)</i> for mappings from encodings to target family name strings. “ MicroBlaze Processor API ,” page 1 contains a link to this document.
MICROBLAZE_PVR_MMU_TYPE(pvr)	Returns the value of C_USE_MMU. Refer to the <i>MicroBlaze Processor Reference Guide (UG081)</i> for mappings from MMU type values to MMU function. “ MicroBlaze Processor API ,” page 1 contains a link to this document.

MicroBlaze Processor File Handling

The following routine is included for file handling:

```
int fcntl(int fd, int cmd, long arg);
```

A dummy implementation of `fcntl()`, which always returns 0, is provided. `fcntl` is intended to manipulate file descriptors according to the command specified by `cmd`. Because Standalone does not provide a file system, this function is included for completeness only.

MicroBlaze Processor Errno

The following routine provides the error number value:

```
int errno( );
```

Return the global value of `errno` as set by the last C library call.

Cortex A9 Processor API

Standalone BSP contains boot code, cache, exception handling, file and memory management, configuration, time and processor-specific include functions. It supports gcc compilers.

The following lists the Cortex A9 Processor API sections. You can click on a link to go directly to the function section.

- [Cortex A9 Processor Boot Code](#)
- [Cortex A9 Processor Cache Functions](#)
- [Cortex A9 Processor Exception Handling](#)
- [Cortex A9 Processor File Support](#)
- [Cortex A9 gcc Errno Function](#)
- [Cortex A9 gcc Memory Management](#)
- [Cortex A9 gcc Process Functions](#)
- [Cortex A9 Processor-Specific Include Files](#)
- [Cortex A9 Time Functions](#)

The following subsections describe the functions by type.

Cortex A9 Processor Boot Code

The boot.S file contains a minimal set of code for transferring control from the processor's reset location to the start of the application. It performs the following tasks.

- Invalidate L1 caches, TLBs, Branch Predictor Array, etc.
- Invalidate L2 caches and initialize L2 Cache Controller
- Enable caches and MMU
- Load MMU translation table base address into the TTB registers
- Enable NEON coprocessor

The boot code also starts the Cycle Counter and initializes the Static Memory Controller.

Cortex A9 Processor Cache Functions

The xil_cache.c file and the corresponding xil_cache.h header file provide access to the following cache and cache-related operations.

Cache Function Summary

The following are links to the function descriptions. Click on the name to go to that function.

[void Xil_DCacheEnable\(void\)](#)

[void Xil_DCacheInvalidate\(void\)](#)

[void Xil_DCacheInvalidateLine\(unsigned int adr\)](#)

[void Xil_DCacheInvalidateRange\(unsigned int adr, unsigned len\)](#)

[void Xil_DCacheFlush\(void\)](#)

[void Xil_DCacheFlushLine\(unsigned int adr\)](#)

[void Xil_DCacheFlushRange\(unsigned int adr, unsigned len\)](#)

[void Xil_DCacheStoreLine\(unsigned int adr\)](#)

[void Xil_ICacheEnable\(void\)](#)

[void Xil_ICacheDisable\(void\)](#)

```

void Xil_ICacheInvalidate(void)
void Xil_ICacheInvalidateLine(unsigned int adr)
void Xil_ICacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned len)
void Xil_L1DCacheEnable(void)
void Xil_L1DCacheDisable(void)
void Xil_L1DCacheInvalidate(void)
void Xil_L1DCacheInvalidateLine(unsigned int adr)
void Xil_L2CacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned len)
void Xil_L1DCacheFlush(void)
void Xil_L1DCacheFlushLine(unsigned int adr)
void Xil_L1DCacheFlushRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned len)
void Xil_L1DCacheStoreLine(unsigned int adr)
void Xil_L1ICacheEnable(void)
void Xil_ICacheDisable(void)
void Xil_ICacheInvalidate(void)
void Xil_L1ICacheInvalidateLine(unsigned int adr)
void Xil_L1ICacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned len)
void Xil_L2CacheEnable(void)
void Xil_L2CacheDisable(void)
void Xil_L2CacheInvalidate(void)
void Xil_L2CacheInvalidateLine(unsigned int adr)
void Xil_L2CacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned len)
void Xil_L2CacheFlush(void)
void Xil_L2CacheFlushLine(unsigned int adr)
void Xil_L2CacheFlushRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned len)
void Xil_L2CacheStoreLine(unsigned int adr)

```

Cache Function Descriptions

```
void xil_DCacheEnable(void)
```

Enable the data caches.

```
void xil_DCacheInvalidate(void)
```

Invalidate the entire data cache.

```
void xil_DCacheInvalidateLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Invalidate a data cache line. If the byte specified by *adr* is cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the modified contents are lost and are not written to system memory before the line is invalidated. A subsequent data access to this address results in a cache miss and a cache line refill.

```
void Xil_DCacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned  
    len)
```

Invalidates the data cache lines that are described by the address range starting from *adr* and *len* bytes long. A subsequent data access to any address in this range results in a cache miss and a cache line refill.

```
void Xil_DCacheFlush(void)
```

Flush the entire Data cache.

```
void Xil_DCacheFlushLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Flush a Data cache line. If the byte specified by the address (*adr*) is cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the entire contents of the cacheline are written to system memory before the line is invalidated. A subsequent data access to this address results in a cache miss and a cache line refill.

```
void Xil_DCacheFlushRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned len)
```

Flushes the data cache lines that are described by the address range starting from *adr* and *len* bytes long. A subsequent data access to any address in this range results in a cache miss and a cache line refill.

```
void Xil_DCacheStoreLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Store a Data cache line. If the byte specified by the *adr* is cached by the data cache and the cacheline is modified (dirty), the entire contents of the cacheline are written to system memory. After the store completes, the cacheline is marked as unmodified (not dirty).

```
void Xil_ICacheEnable(void)
```

Enable the instruction caches.

```
void Xil_ICacheDisable(void)
```

Disable the instruction caches.

```
void Xil_ICacheInvalidate(void)
```

Invalidate the entire instruction cache.

```
void Xil_ICacheInvalidateLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Invalidate an instruction cache line. If the instruction specified by the parameter *adr* is cached by the instruction cache, the cacheline containing that instruction is invalidated.

```
void Xil_ICacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned  
    len)
```

Invalidate the instruction cache for the given address range. If the bytes specified by the *adr* are cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the modified contents are lost and are not written to system memory before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L1DCacheEnable(void)
```

Enable the level 1 data cache.

```
void Xil_L1DCacheDisable(void)
```

Disable the level 1 data cache.

```
void Xil_L1DCacheInvalidate(void)
```

Invalidate the level 1 data cache.

```
void Xil_L1DCacheInvalidateLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Invalidate a level 1 data cache line. If the byte specified by the *adr* is cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the modified contents are lost and are not written to system memory before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L1DCacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int adr,  
    unsigned len)
```

Invalidate the level 1 data cache for the given address range. If the bytes specified by the *adr* are cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the modified contents are lost and are not written to system memory before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L1DCacheFlush(void)
```

Flush the level 1 data cache.

```
void Xil_L1DCacheFlushLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Flush a level 1 data cache line. If the byte specified by the *adr* is cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the entire contents of the cacheline are written to system memory before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L1DCacheFlushRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned  
    len)
```

Flush the level 1 data cache for the given address range. If the bytes specified by the *adr* are cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the written to system memory first before the before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L1DCacheStoreLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Store a level 1 data cache line. If the byte specified by the *adr* is cached by the data cache and the cacheline is modified (dirty), the entire contents of the cacheline are written to system memory. After the store completes, the cacheline is marked as unmodified (not dirty).

```
void Xil_L1ICacheEnable(void)
```

Enable the level 1 instruction cache.

```
void Xil_L1ICacheDisable(void)
```

Disable level 1 the instruction cache.

```
void Xil_L1ICacheInvalidate(void)
```

Invalidate the entire level 1 instruction cache.

```
void Xil_L1ICacheInvalidateLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Invalidate a level 1 instruction cache line. If the instruction specified by the parameter *adr* is cached by the instruction cache, the cacheline containing that instruction is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L1ICacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int adr,  
    unsigned len)
```

Invalidate the level 1 instruction cache for the given address range. If the bytes specified by the *adr* are cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the modified contents are lost and are not written to system memory before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L2CacheEnable(void)
```

Enable the L2 cache.

```
void Xil_L2CacheDisable(void)
```

Disable the L2 cache.

```
void Xil_L2CacheInvalidate(void)
```

Invalidate the L2 cache. If the byte specified by the *adr* is cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the modified contents are lost and are not written to system memory before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L2CacheInvalidateLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Invalidate a level 2 cache line. If the byte specified by the *adr* is cached by the Data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the modified contents are lost and are not written to system memory before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L2CacheInvalidateRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned
    len)
```

Invalidate the level 2 cache for the given address range. If the bytes specified by the *adr* are cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the modified contents are lost and are not written to system memory before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L2CacheFlush(void)
```

Flush the L2 cache. If the byte specified by the *adr* is cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the entire contents of the cacheline are written to system memory before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L2CacheFlushLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Flush a level 1 cache line. If the byte specified by the *adr* is cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the entire contents of the cacheline are written to system memory before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L2CacheFlushRange(unsigned int adr, unsigned len)
```

Flush the level 2 cache for the given address range. If the bytes specified by the *adr* are cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the written to system memory first before the before the line is invalidated.

```
void Xil_L2CacheStoreLine(unsigned int adr)
```

Store a level 2 cache line. If the byte specified by the *adr* is cached by the data cache and the cacheline is modified (dirty), the entire contents of the cacheline are written to system memory. After the store completes, the cacheline is marked as unmodified (not dirty).

```
void XL2cc_EventCtrInit(int Event0, int Event1)
```

This function initializes the event counters in L2 Cache controller with a set of event codes specified by the user. Use the event codes defined by `XL2CC_*` in `xl2cc_counter.h` to specify the events *Event0* and *Event1*.

```
void XL2cc_EventCtrStart(void)
```

This function starts the event counters in L2 Cache controller.

```
void XL2cc_EventCtrStop(u32 *EveCtr0, u32 *EveCtr1)
```

This function disables the event counters in L2 Cache controller, saves the counter values to address pointed to by *EveCtr0* and *EveCtr1* and resets the counters.

Cortex A9 Processor MMU Handling

The standalone BSP MMU handling API is implemented in file `xil_mmu.c` and the corresponding header file `xil_mmu.h`.

MMU Handling Function Summary

The following function describes the available MMU handling API.

void Xil_SetTlbAttributes(u32 addr, u32 attrib)

This function changes the MMU attribute of the 1 MB address range in which the passed memory address "addr" falls.

The new MMU attribute is passed as an argument "attrib" to this API.

This API can be used to change attributes such as cache-ability and share-ability of a specified memory region.

Cortex A9 Processor Exception Handling

The Standalone BSP provides an exception handling API. For details about the exceptions and interrupts on ARM Cortex-A9 processor, refer to "Exceptions" under the chapter "The System Level Programmers' Model" in the ARM Architecture Reference Manual ARMv7-A and ARMv-7R edition.

The exception handling API is implemented in a set of the files - `asm_vectors.S`, `vectors.c`, `xil_exception.c`, and the corresponding header files `vectors.h` and `xil_exception.h`.

Exception Handling Function Summary

The following are links to the function descriptions. Click on the name to go to that function.

[void Xil_ExceptionInit\(void\)](#)

[void Xil_ExceptionRegisterHandler \(u8 ExceptionId, XExceptionHandler Handler, void *DataPtr\)](#)

[void Xil_ExceptionRemoveHandler \(u8 ExceptionId\)](#)

[void Xil_ExceptionEnableMask\(Mask\)](#)

[void Xil_ExceptionEnable\(void\)](#)

[void Xil_ExceptionDisableMask\(Mask\)](#)

[void Xil_ExceptionDisable\(void\)](#)

Exception Handling Function Descriptions

void Xil_ExceptionInit(void)

Sets up the interrupt vector table and registers a "do nothing" function for each exception. This function has no parameters and does not return a value. This function must be called before registering any exception handlers or enabling any interrupts.

```
void Xil_ExceptionRegisterHandler (u8 ExceptionId,
    XExceptionHandler Handler, void *DataPtr)
```

Registers an exception handler for a specific exception; does not return a value. Refer to Table 1, for a list of exception types and their values.

The parameters are:

- **ExceptionId** is of parameter type u8, and is the exception to which this handler should be registered. The type and the values are defined in the xil_exception.h header file.
- **Handler** is an Xil_ExceptionHandler parameter that is the pointer to the exception handling function.

The function provided as the Handler parameter must have the following function prototype:

```
typedef void (*Xil_ExceptionHandler)(void * DataPtr);
```

This prototype is declared in the xil_exception.h header file.

- **DataPtr** is of parameter type void * and is the user value to be passed when the Handler is called.

When this Handler function is called, the parameter DataPtr contains the same value provided, when the Handler was registered.

Table 4: Registered Exception Types and Values

Exception Type	Value
XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_RESET	0
XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_UNDEFINED_INT	1
XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_SWI_INT	2
XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_PREFETCH_ABORT_INT	3
XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_DATA_ABORT_INT	4
XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_IRQ_INT	5
XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_FIQ_INT	6

```
void Xil_ExceptionRemoveHandler (u8 ExceptionId)
```

De-register a handler function for a given exception. For possible values of parameter ExceptionId, refer to Table 1.

```
void Xil_ExceptionEnableMask (Mask)
```

Enable exceptions specified by Mask. The parameter Mask is a bitmask for exceptions to be enabled. The Mask parameter can have the values XIL_EXCEPTION_IRQ, XIL_EXCEPTION_FIQ, or XIL_EXCEPTION_ALL.

```
void Xil_ExceptionEnable (void)
```

Enable the IRQ exception.

These macros must be called after initializing the vector table with function Xil_exceptionInit and registering exception handlers with function Xil_ExceptionRegisterHandler.


```
void Xil_ExceptionDisableMask(Mask)
```

Disable exceptions specified by Mask. The parameter Mask is a bitmask for exceptions to be disabled. The Mask parameter can have the values XIL_EXCEPTION_IRQ, XIL_EXCEPTION_FIQ, or XIL_EXCEPTION_ALL.

```
void Xil_ExceptionDisable(void)
```

Disable the IRQ exception.

Cortex A9 Processor and pl310 Errata Support

Various ARM errata are handled in the standalone BSP. The implementation for errata handling follows ARM guidelines and is based on the open source Linux support for these errata. The errata conditions handled in the standalone BSP are listed below.

- ARM erratum number 742230 (DMB operation may be faulty)
- ARM erratum number 743622 (Faulty hazard checking in the Store Buffer may lead to data corruption)
- ARM erratum number 775420 (A data cache maintenance operation which aborts, might lead to deadlock)
- ARM erratum number 794073 (Speculative instruction fetches with MMU disabled might not comply with architectural requirements)
- ARM erratum number 588369 (Clean & Invalidate maintenance operations do not invalidate clean lines)
- ARM PL310 erratum number 727915 (Background Clean and Invalidate by Way operation can cause data corruption)
- ARM PL310 erratum number 753970 (Cache sync operation may be faulty)

For further information on these errata items, please refer to the appropriate ARM documentation at ARM the information center.

The BSP file `xil_errata.h` defines macros for these errata. The handling of the errata are enabled by default. To disable handling of all the errata globally, un-define the macro `ENABLE_ARM_ERRATA` in `xil_errata.h`. To disable errata on a per-erratum basis, un-define relevant macros in `xil_errata.h`.

Cortex A9 Processor File Support

The following links take you directly to the `gcc` file support function.

```
int read(int fd, char *buf, int nbytes)
int write(int fd, char *buf, int nbytes)
int isatty(int fd)
int fcntl(int fd, int cmd, long arg)
```

File support is limited to the `stdin` and `stdout` streams. Consequently, the following functions are *not* necessary:

gcc

- `open()` (in `gcc/open.c`)
- `close()` (in `gcc/close.c`)
- `fstat()` (in `gcc/fstat.c`)
- `unlink()` (in `gcc/unlink.c`)
- `lseek()` (in `gcc/lseek.c`)

These files are included for completeness and because they are referenced by the C library.

Cortex A9 gcc File Support Function Descriptions

```
int read(int fd, char *buf, int nbytes)
```

The `read()` function in `gcc/read.c` reads `nbytes` bytes from the standard input by calling `inbyte()`. It blocks until all characters are available, or the end of line character is read. The `read()` function returns the number of characters read. The `fd` parameter is ignored.

```
int write(int fd, char *buf, int nbytes)
```

Writes `nbytes` bytes to the standard output by calling `outbyte()`. It blocks until all characters have been written. The `write()` function returns the number of characters written. The `fd` parameter is ignored.

```
int isatty(int fd)
```

Reports if a file is connected to a tty. This function always returns 1, because only the `stdin` and `stdout` streams are supported.

```
int fcntl (int fd, int cmd, long arg)
```

A dummy implementation of `fcntl`, which always returns 0. `fcntl` is intended to manipulate file descriptors according to the command specified by `cmd`. Because Standalone does not provide a file system, this function is not used.

Cortex A9 gcc Errno Function

```
int errno( )
```

Returns the global value of `errno` as set by the last C library call.

Cortex A9 gcc Memory Management

```
char *sbrk(int nbytes)
```

Allocates `nbytes` of heap and returns a pointer to that piece of memory. This function is called from the memory allocation functions of the C library.

Cortex A9 gcc Process Functions

The functions `getpid()` in `getpid.c` and `kill()` in `kill.c` are included for completeness and because they are referenced by the C library.

Cortex A9 Processor-Specific Include Files

The `xreg_cortexa9.h` include file contains the register numbers and the register bits for the ARM Cortex-A9 processor.

The `xpseudo_asm.h` include file contains the definitions for the most often used inline assembler instructions, available as macros. These can be very useful for tasks such as setting or getting special purpose registers, synchronization, or cache manipulation. These inline assembler instructions can be used from drivers and user applications written in C.

Cortex A9 Time Functions

The `xtime_l.c` file and corresponding `xtime_l.h` include file provide access to the 64-bit Global Counter in the PMU. This counter increases by one at every 2 processor cycles. The `sleep.c` file and corresponding `sleep.h` include file implement sleep functions. Sleep functions are implemented as busy loops.

Cortex A9 Time Function Summary

The time functions are summarized below. Click on the function name to go to the description.

```
typedef unsigned long long XTime
void XTime_SetTime(XTime xtime)
void XTime_GetTime(XTime *xtime)
unsigned int usleep(unsigned int useconds)
unsigned int sleep(unsigned int _seconds)
```

Cortex A9 Time Function Descriptions

```
typedef unsigned long long XTime
```

The `XTime` type in `xtime_l.h` is a 64-bit value, which represents the Global Counter.

```
void XTime_SetTime(XTime xtime)
```

Sets the global timer to the value in `xtime`.

```
void XTime_GetTime(XTime *xtime)
```

Writes the current value of the Global Timer to variable `xtime`.

```
unsigned int usleep(unsigned int useconds)
```

Delays the execution of a program by `useconds` microseconds. It returns zero if the delay can be achieved or -1 if the delay can't be achieved. This function requires that the processor frequency (in Hz) is defined in `xparameters.h`.

```
unsigned int sleep(unsigned int _seconds)
```

Delays the execution of a program by what is specified in seconds. It always returns zero. This function requires that the processor frequency (in Hz) is defined in `xparameters.h`.

Cortex A9 Event Counters

`xpm_counter.c` and `xpm_counter.h` provide APIs for configuring and controlling the Cortex-A9

Performance Monitor Events. Cortex-A9 Performance Monitor has 6 event counters which can be used to count a variety of events described in Cortex-A9 TRM.

`xpm_counter.h` defines configurations (XPM_CNTRCFGx) which specifies the event counters to count a set of events.

Cortex A9 Event Counters Function Summary

The Event Counters functions are summarized below. Click on the function name to go to the description.

`void Xpm_SetEvents(int PmcrCfg)`

`void Xpm_GetEventCounters(u32 *PmCtrValue)`

Cortex A9 Event Counters Function Description

`void Xpm_SetEvents(int PmcrCfg)`

This function configures the Cortex A9 event counters controller, with the event codes, in a configuration selected by the user and enables the counters.

PmcrCfg is configuration value based on which the event counters are configured.

Use XPM_CNTRCFG* values defined in `xpm_counter.h` to define a configuration which specify the event counters to count a set of events.

`void Xpm_GetEventCounters(u32 *PmCtrValue)`

This function disables the event counters and returns the counter values.

PmCtrValue returns the counter values.

Xilinx Hardware Abstraction Layer

The following sections describe the Xilinx® Hardware Abstraction Layer API. It contains the following sections:

- [Types \(xil_types\)](#)
- [Register IO \(xil_io\)](#)
- [Exception \(xil_exception\)](#)
- [Cache \(xil_cache\)](#)
- [Assert \(xil_assert\)](#)
- [Extra Header File](#)
- [Test Memory \(xil_testmem\)](#)
- [Test Register IO \(xil_testio\)](#)
- [Test Cache \(xil_testcache\)](#)
- [Hardware Abstraction Layer Migration Tips](#)

Types (xil_types)

Header File

```
#include "xil_types.h"
```

Typedef

```
typedef unsigned char u8
typedef unsigned short u16
typedef unsigned long u32
typedef unsigned long long u64
typedef char s8
typedef short s16
typedef long s32
typedef long long s64
```

Macros

Macro	Value
#define TRUE	1
#define FALSE	0
#define NULL	0
#define XIL_COMPONENT_IS_READY	0x11111111
#define XIL_COMPONENT_IS_STARTED	0x22222222

Register IO (xil_io)

Header File

```
#include "xil_io.h"
```

Common API

The following is a linked summary of register IO functions. They can run on MicroBlaze and Cortex A9 processors.

```
u8 Xil_In8(u32 Addr)
u16 Xil_EndianSwap16 (u16 Data)
u16 Xil_Htons(u16 Data)
u16 Xil_In16(u32 Addr)
u16 Xil_In16BE(u32 Addr)
u16 Xil_In16LE(u32 Addr)
u16 Xil_Ntohs(u16 Data)
u32 Xil_EndianSwap32 u32 Data)
u32 Xil_Htonl(u32 Data)
u32 Xil_In32(u32 Addr)
u32 Xil_In32BE(u32 Addr)
u32 Xil_In32LE(u32 Addr)
u32 Xil_Ntohs(u32 Data)
void Xil_Out8(u32 Addr, u8 Value)
void Xil_Out16(u32 Addr, u16 Value)
void Xil_Out16BE(u32 Addr, u16 Value)
void Xil_Out16LE(u32 Addr, u16 Value)
void Xil_Out32(u32 Addr, u32 Value)
void Xil_Out32BE(u32 Addr, u32 Value)
void Xil_Out32LE(u32 Addr, u32 Value)
```

u8 **Xil_In8** (u32 Addr)

Perform an input operation for an 8-bit memory location by reading from the specified address and returning the value read from that address.

Parameters:

Addr contains the address at which to perform the input operation.

Returns:

The value read from the specified input address.

u16 **Xil_EndianSwap16** (u16 Data)

Perform a 16-bit endian swapping.

Parameters:

Data contains the value to be swapped.

Returns:

Endian swapped value.

u16 **Xil_Htons**(u16 Data)

Convert a 16-bit number from host byte order to network byte order.

Parameters:

Data the 16-bit number to be converted.

Returns:

The converted 16-bit number in network byte order.

u16 **Xil_In16**(u32 Addr)

Perform an input operation for a 16-bit memory location by reading from the specified address and returning the value read from that address.

Parameters:

Addr contains the address at which to perform the input operation.

Returns:

The value read from the specified input address.

u16 **Xil_In16BE**(u32 Addr)

Perform an big-endian input operation for a 16-bit memory location by reading from the specified address and returning the value read from that address.

Parameters:

Addr contains the address at which to perform the input operation.

Returns:

The value read from the specified input address with the proper endianness. The return value has the same endianness as that of the processor. For example, if the processor is little-endian, the return value is the byte-swapped value read from the address.

u16 **Xil_In16LE**(u32 Addr)

Perform a little-endian input operation for a 16-bit memory location by reading from the specified address and returning the value read from that address.

Parameters:

Addr contains the address at which to perform the input operation.

Returns:

The value read from the specified input address with the proper endianness. The return value has the same endianness as that of the processor. For example, if the processor is big-endian, the return value is the byte-swapped value read from the address.

u16 **Xil_Ntohs**(u16 Data)

Convert a 16-bit number from network byte order to host byte order.

Parameters:

Data the 16-bit number to be converted.

Returns:

The converted 16-bit number in host byte order.

u32 **Xil_EndianSwap32**(u32 Data)

Perform a 32-bit endian swapping.

Parameters:

Data contains the value to be swapped.

Returns:

Endian swapped value.

u32 **Xil_Htonl**(u32 Data)

Convert a 32-bit number from host byte order to network byte order.

Parameters:

Data the 32-bit number to be converted.

Returns:

The converted 32-bit number in network byte order.

u32 **Xil_In32**(u32 Addr)

Perform an input operation for a 32-bit memory location by reading from the specified address and returning the value read from that address.

Parameters:

Addr contains the address at which to perform the input operation.

Returns:

The value read from the specified input address.

u32 **Xil_In32BE**(u32 Addr)

Perform a big-endian input operation for a 32-bit memory location by reading from the specified address and returning the value read from that address.

Parameters:

Addr contains the address at which to perform the input operation.

Returns:

The value read from the specified input address with the proper endianness. The return value has the same endianness as that of the processor. For example, if the processor is little-endian, the return value is the byte-swapped value read from the address.


```
u32 Xil_In32LE(u32 Addr)
```

Perform a little-endian input operation for a 32-bit memory location by reading from the specified address and returning the value read from that address.

Parameters:

`Addr` contains the address at which to perform the input operation.

Returns:

The value read from the specified input address with the proper endianness. The return value has the same endianness as that of the processor. For example, if the processor is big-endian, the return value is the byte-swapped value read from the address.

```
u32 Xil_Ntohs(u32 Data)
```

Convert a 32-bit number from network byte order to host byte order.

Parameters:

`Data` the 32-bit number to be converted.

Returns:

The converted 32-bit number in host byte order.

```
void Xil_Out8(u32 Addr, u8 Value)
```

Perform an output operation for an 8-bit memory location by writing the specified value to the specified address.

Parameters:

`Addr` contains the address at which to perform the output operation.

`Value` contains the value to be output at the specified address.

```
void Xil_Out16(u32 Addr, u16 Value)
```

Perform an output operation for a 16-bit memory location by writing the specified value to the specified address.

Parameters:

`Addr` contains the address at which to perform the output operation.

`Value` contains the value to be output at the specified address.

```
void Xil_Out16BE(u32 Addr, u16 Value)
```

Perform a big-endian output operation for a 16-bit memory location by writing the specified value to the specified address.

Parameters:

`Addr` contains the address at which to perform the output operation.

`Value` contains the value to be output at the specified address. The value has the same endianness as that of the processor. For example, if the processor is little-endian, the byte-swapped value is written to the address.

```
void Xil_Out16LE(u32 Addr, u16 Value)
```

Perform a little-endian output operation for a 16-bit memory location by writing the specified value to the specified address.

Parameters:

`Addr` contains the address at which to perform the output operation.

`Value` contains the value to be output at the specified address. The value has the same endianness as that of the processor. For example, if the processor is big-endian, the byte-swapped value is written to the address.

```
void Xil_Out32(u32 Addr, u32 Value)
```

Perform an output operation for a 32-bit memory location by writing the specified value to the specified address.

Parameters:

`Addr` contains the address at which to perform the output operation.

`Value` contains the value to be output at the specified address.

```
void Xil_Out32BE(u32 Addr, u32 Value)
```

Perform a big-endian output operation for a 32-bit memory location by writing the specified value to the specified address.

Parameters:

`Addr` contains the address at which to perform the output operation.

`Value` contains the value to be output at the specified address. The value has the same endianness as that of the processor. For example, if the processor is little-endian, the byte-swapped value is written to the address.

```
void Xil_Out32LE(u32 Addr, u32 Value)
```

Perform a little-endian output operation for a 32-bit memory location by writing the specified value to the specified address.

Parameters:

`Addr` contains the address at which to perform the output operation.

`Value` contains the value to be output at the specified address. The value has the same endianness as that of the processor. For example, if the processor is big-endian, the byte-swapped value is written to the address.

Exception (xil_exception)

Header File

```
#include "xil_exception.h"
```

Typedef

```
typedef void(* Xil_ExceptionHandler)(void *Data)
```

This typedef is the exception handler function pointer.

Common API

The following are exception functions. They can run on MicroBlaze and Cortex A9 processors.

```
void Xil_ExceptionDisable()
```

Disable Exceptions.

```
void Xil_ExceptionEnable()
```

Enable Exceptions.

```
void Xil_ExceptionInit()
```

Initialize exception handling for the processor. The exception vector table is set up with the stub handler for all exceptions.

```
void Xil_ExceptionRegisterHandler(u32 Id,  
    Xil_ExceptionHandler Handler, void *Data)
```

Make the connection between the ID of the exception source and the associated handler that runs when the exception is recognized. *Data* is used as the argument when the handler is called.

Parameters:

Id contains the identifier (ID) of the exception source. This should be `XIL_EXCEPTION_INT` or be in the range of 0 to `XIL_EXCEPTION_LAST`. Refer to the `xil_exception.h` file for further information.

Handler is the handler for that exception.

Data is a reference to data that will be passed to the handler when it is called.

```
void Xil_ExceptionRemoveHandler(u32 Id)
```

Remove the handler for a specific exception ID. The stub handler is then registered for this exception ID.

Parameters:

Id contains the ID of the exception source. It should be `XIL_EXCEPTION_INT` or in the range of 0 to `XIL_EXCEPTION_LAST`. Refer to the `xil_exception.h` file for further information.

Common Macro

The common macro is:

```
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_INT
```

This macro is defined for all processors and used to set the exception handler that corresponds to the interrupt controller handler. The value is processor-dependent. For example:

```
Xil_ExceptionRegisterHandler(XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_INT,
(XilExceptionHandler)IntcHandler, IntcData)
```

MicroBlaze Processor-Specific Macros

Macro	Value
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_FIRST	0
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_FSL	0
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_UNALIGNED_ACCESS	1
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_ILLEGAL_OPCODE	2
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_IOPB_EXCEPTION	3
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_IPLB_EXCEPTION	3
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_DOPB_EXCEPTION	4
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_DPLB_EXCEPTION	4
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_DIV_BY_ZERO	5
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_FPU	6
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_MMU	7
#define XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_LAST	XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_MMU

Cache (xil_cache)

Header File

```
#include "xil_cache.h"
```

Common API

The functions listed in this sub-section can be executed on all processors.

```
void Xil_DCacheDisable()
```

Disable the data cache.

```
void Xil_DCacheEnable()
```

Enable the data cache.

```
void Xil_DCacheFlush()
```

Flush the entire data cache. If any cacheline is dirty (has been modified), it is written to system memory. The entire data cache will be invalidated.

```
void Xil_DCacheFlushRange(u32 Addr, u32 Len)
```

Flush the data cache for the given address range. If any memory in the address range (identified as `Addr`) has been modified (and are dirty), the modified cache memory will be written back to system memory. The cacheline will also be invalidated.

Parameters:

`Addr` is the starting address of the range to be flushed.

`Len` is the length, in bytes, to be flushed.

```
void Xil_DCacheInvalidate()
```

Invalidate the entire data cache. If any cacheline is dirty (has been modified), the modified contents are lost.

```
void Xil_DCacheInvalidateRange(u32 Addr, u32 Len)
```

Invalidate the data cache for the given address range. If the bytes specified by the address (`Addr`) are cached by the data cache, the cacheline containing that byte is invalidated. If the cacheline is modified (dirty), the modified contents are lost.

Parameters:

`Addr` is address of range to be invalidated.

`Len` is the length in bytes to be invalidated.

```
void Xil_ICacheDisable()
```

Disable the instruction cache.

```
void Xil_ICacheEnable()
```

On MicroBlaze processors, enable the instruction cache.

```
void Xil_ICacheInvalidate()
```

Invalidate the entire instruction cache.

```
void Xil_ICacheInvalidateRange(u32 Addr, u32 Len)
```

Invalidate the instruction cache for the given address range.

Parameters:

`Addr` is address of range to be invalidated.

`Len` is the length in bytes to be invalidated.

Assert (xil_assert)

Header File

```
#include "xil_assert.h"
```

Typedef

```
typedef void(* Xil_AssertCallback)(char *Filename, int Line)
```

Common API

The functions listed in this sub-section can be executed on all processors.

```
void Xil_Assert(char *File, int Line)
```

Implement `assert`. Currently, it calls a user-defined callback function if one has been set. Then, potentially enters an infinite loop depending on the value of the `Xil_AssertWait` variable.

Parameters:

`File` is the name of the filename of the source.

`Line` is the line number within `File`.

```
void Xil_AssertSetCallback(xil_AssertCallback Routine)
```

Set up a callback function to be invoked when an assert occurs. If there was already a callback installed, then it is replaced.

Parameters:

`Routine` is the callback to be invoked when an assert is taken.

```
#define Xil_AssertVoid(Expression)
```

This assert macro is to be used for functions that do not return anything (void). This can be used in conjunction with the `Xil_AssertWait` boolean to accommodate tests so that asserts that fail still allow execution to continue.

Parameters:

`Expression` is the expression to evaluate. If it evaluates to false, the assert occurs.

```
#define Xil_AssertNonvoid(Expression)
```

This assert macro is to be used for functions that return a value. This can be used in conjunction with the `Xil_AssertWait` boolean to accommodate tests so that asserts that fail still allow execution to continue.

Parameters:

`Expression` is the expression to evaluate. If it evaluates to false, the assert occurs.

Returns:

Returns 0 unless the `Xil_AssertWait` variable is true, in which case no return is made and an infinite loop is entered.

```
#define Xil_AssertVoidAlways ( )
```

Always assert. This assert macro is to be used for functions that do not return anything (void). Use for instances where an assert should always occur.

Returns:

Returns void unless the `Xil_AssertWait` variable is true, in which case no return is made and an infinite loop is entered.

```
#define Xil_AssertNonvoidAlways ( )
```

Always assert. This assert macro is to be used for functions that return a value. Use for instances where an assert should always occur.

Returns:

Returns void unless the `xil_AssertWait` variable is true, in which case no return is made and an infinite loop is entered.

Extra Header File

The `xil_hal.h` header file is provided as a convenience. It includes all the header files related to the Hardware Abstraction Layer. The contents of this header file are as follows:

```
#ifndef XIL_HAL_H
#define XIL_HAL_H

#include "xil_assert.h"
#include "xil_exception.h"
#include "xil_cache.h"
#include "xil_io.h"
#include "xil_types.h"

#endif
```

Test Memory (xil_testmem)

Description

A subset of the memory tests can be selected or all of the tests can be run in order. If there is an error detected by a subtest, the test stops and the failure code is returned. Further tests are not run even if all of the tests are selected.

Subtest Descriptions

XIL_TESTMEM_ALLMEMTESTS

Runs all of the subtests.

XIL_TESTMEM_INCREMENT

Incrementing Value test.

This test starts at `XIL_TESTMEM_MEMTEST_INIT_VALUE` and uses the incrementing value as the test value for memory.

XIL_TESTMEM_WALKONES

Walking Ones test.

This test uses a walking "1" as the test value for memory.

```
location 1 = 0x00000001
location 2 = 0x00000002
...
```

XIL_TESTMEM_WALKZEROS

Walking Zeros test.

This test uses the inverse value of the walking ones test as the test value for memory.

```
location 1 = 0xFFFFFFFF
location 2 = 0xFFFFFFF
...
```

XIL_TESTMEM_INVERSEADDR

Inverse Address test.

This test uses the inverse of the address of the location under test as the test value for memory.

XIL_TESTMEM_FIXEDPATTERN

Fixed Pattern test.

This test uses the provided patterns as the test value for memory.

If zero is provided as the pattern, the test uses 0xDEADBEEF.

Caution! The tests are DESTRUCTIVE. Run them before any initialized memory spaces have been set up. The address provided to the memory tests is not checked for validity, except for the case where the value is NULL. It is possible to provide a code-space pointer for this test to start with and ultimately destroy executable code causing random failures.

Note: This test is used for spaces where the address range of the region is smaller than the data width. If the memory range is greater than 2 to the power of width, the patterns used in XIL_TESTMEM_WALKONES and XIL_TESTMEM_WALKZEROS will repeat on a boundary of a power of two, making it more difficult to detect addressing errors. The XIL_TESTMEM_INCREMENT and XIL_TESTMEM_INVERSEADDR tests suffer the same problem. If you need to test large blocks of memory, it is recommended that you break them up into smaller regions of memory to allow the test patterns used not to repeat over the region tested.

Header File

```
#include "xil_testmem.h"
```

Common API

```
int Xil_Testmem8(u8 *Addr, u32 Words, u8 Pattern, u8
    Subtest)
```

Perform a destructive 8-bit wide memory test.

Parameters:

`Addr` is a pointer to the region of memory to be tested.

`Words` is the length of the block.

`Pattern` is the constant used for the constant pattern test, if 0, 0xDEADBEEF is used.

`Subtest` is the test selected. See `xil_testmem.h` for possible values.

Returns:

-1 is returned for a failure

0 is returned for a pass

Note: Used for spaces where the address range of the region is smaller than the data width. If the memory range is greater than 2 to the power of width, the patterns used in `XIL_TESTMEM_WALKONES` and `XIL_TESTMEM_WALKZEROS` repeat on a boundary of a power of two, which makes detecting addressing errors more difficult. This is true of `XIL_TESTMEM_INCREMENT` and `XIL_TESTMEM_INVERSEADDR` tests also. If you need to test large blocks of memory, it is recommended that you break them up into smaller regions of memory to allow the test patterns used not to repeat over the region tested.

```
int Xil_Testmem16(u16 *Addr, u32 Words, u16 Pattern, u8
    Subtest)
```

Perform a destructive 16-bit wide memory test.

Parameters:

`Addr` is a pointer to the region of memory to be tested.

`Words` is the length of the block.

`Pattern` is the constant used for the constant pattern test, if 0, 0xDEADBEEF is used.

`Subtest` is the test selected. See `xil_testmem.h` for possible values.

Returns:

-1 is returned for a failure.

0 is returned for a pass.

Note: Used for spaces where the address range of the region is smaller than the data width. If the memory range is greater than 2 to the power of width, the patterns used in `XIL_TESTMEM_WALKONES` and `XIL_TESTMEM_WALKZEROS` repeat on a boundary of a power of two, making detecting addressing errors more difficult.

This is true of `XIL_TESTMEM_INCREMENT` and `XIL_TESTMEM_INVERSEADDR` tests also. If you need to test large blocks of memory, it is recommended that you break them up into smaller regions of memory to allow the test patterns used not to repeat over the region tested.

```
int Xil_Testmem32 (u32 *Addr, u32 Words, u32 pattern, u8
    Subtest)
```

Perform a destructive 32-bit wide memory test.

Parameters:

`Addr` is a pointer to the region of memory to be tested.

`Words` is the length of the block.

`Pattern` is the constant used for the constant pattern test, if 0, 0xDEADBEEF is used.

`Subtest` is the test selected. See `xil_testmem.h` for possible values.

Returns:

0 is returned for a pass.

-1 is returned for a failure.

Note: This test is used for spaces where the address range of the region is smaller than the data width. If the memory range is greater than 2 to the power of width, the patterns used in `XIL_TESTMEM_WALKONES` and `XIL_TESTMEM_WALKZEROS` repeat on a boundary of a power of two, making detecting addressing errors more difficult. This is true of the `XIL_TESTMEM_INCREMENT` and `XIL_TESTMEM_INVERSEADDR` tests also. If you need to test large blocks of memory, it is recommended that you break them up into smaller regions of memory to allow the test patterns used not to repeat over the region tested.

Test Register IO (`xil_testio`)

This file contains utility functions to teach endian-related memory I/O functions.

Header File

```
#include "xil_testio.h"
```

Common API

```
int Xil_TestIO8 (u8 *Addr, int Len, u8 Value)
```

Perform a destructive 8-bit wide register IO test where the register is accessed using `Xil_Out8` and `Xil_In8`. the `Xil_TestIO8` function compares the read and write values.

Parameters:

`Addr` is a pointer to the region of memory to be tested.

`Len` is the length of the block.

`Value` is the constant used for writing the memory.

Returns:

0 is returned for a pass.

-1 is returned for a failure.

```
int Xil_TestIO16(u8 *Addr, int Len, u16 Value, int Kind,  
int Swap)
```

Perform a destructive 16-bit wide register IO test. Each location is tested by sequentially writing a 16-bit wide register, reading the register, and comparing value. This function tests three kinds of register IO functions, normal register IO, little-endian register IO, and big-endian register IO. When testing little/big-endian IO, the function performs the following sequence:

Xil_Out16LE/Xil_Out16BE, Xil_In16, Compare In-Out values, Xil_Out16,
Xil_In16LE/Xil_In16BE, Compare In-Out values. Whether to swap the read-in value before comparing is controlled by the 5th argument.

Parameters:

`Addr` is a pointer to the region of memory to be tested.

`Len` is the length of the block.

`Value` is the constant used for writing the memory.

`Kind` is the test kind. Acceptable values are: `XIL_TESTIO_DEFAULT`, `XIL_TESTIO_LE`, `XIL_TESTIO_BE`.

`Swap` indicates whether to byte swap the read-in value.

Returns:

0 is returned for a pass.

-1 is returned for a failure.

```
int Xil_TestIO32(u8 *Addr, int Len, u32 Value, int Kind,  
int Swap)
```

Perform a destructive 32-bit wide register IO test. Each location is tested by sequentially writing a 32-bit wide register, reading the register, and comparing value. This function tests three kinds of register IO functions, normal register IO, little-endian register IO, and big-endian register IO. When testing little/big-endian IO, the function performs the following sequence:

Xil_Out32LE/Xil_Out32BE, Xil_In32, Compare In-Out values, Xil_Out32,
Xil_In32LE/Xil_In32BE, Compare In-Out values. Whether to swap the read-in value before comparing is controlled by the 5th argument.

Parameters:

`Addr` is a pointer to the region of memory to be tested.

`Len` is the length of the block.

`Value` is the constant used for writing the memory.

`Kind` is the test kind. Acceptable values are: `XIL_TESTIO_DEFAULT`, `XIL_TESTIO_LE`, `XIL_TESTIO_BE`.

`Swap` indicates whether to byte swap the read-in value.

Returns:

0 is returned for a pass.

-1 is returned for a failure.

Test Cache (xil_testcache)

This file contains utility functions to test the cache.

Header File

```
#include "xil_testcache.h"
```

Common API

```
int Xil_TestDCacheAll()
```

Tests the DCache related functions on all related API tests such as `Xil_DCacheFlush` and `Xil_DCacheInvalidate`. This test function writes a constant value to the data array, flushes the DCache, writes a new value, and then invalidates the DCache.

Returns:

- 0 is returned for a pass.
 - 1 is returned for a failure.
-

```
int Xil_TestDCacheRange()
```

Tests the DCache range-related functions on a range of related API tests such as `Xil_DCacheFlushRange` and `Xil_DCacheInvalidate_range`. This test function writes a constant value to the data array, flushes the range, writes a new value, and then invalidates the corresponding range.

Returns:

- 0 is returned for a pass.
 - 1 is returned for a failure.
-

```
int Xil_TestICacheAll()
```

Perform `xil_icache_invalidate()`.

Returns:

- 0 is returned for a pass. The function will hang if it fails.
-

```
int Xil_TestICacheRange()
```

Perform `Xil_ICacheInvalidateRange()` on a few function pointers.

Returns:

- 0 is returned for a pass. The function will hang if it fails.

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Mapping Header Files to HAL Header Files

You should map the old header files to the new HAL header files as listed in [Table 5](#).

Table 5: HAL Header File Mapping

Area	Old Header File	New Header File
Register IO	"xio.h"	"xil_io.h"
Exception	"xexception_l.h" "mb_interface.h"	"xil_exception.h"
Cache	"xcache.h" "mb_interface.h"	"xil_cache.h"
Interrupt	"xexception_l.h" "mb_interface.h"	"xil_exception.h"
Typedef u8 u16 u32	"xbasic_types.h"	"xil_types.h"
Typedef of Xuint32 Xfloat32 ...	"xbasic_types.h"	Deprecated. Do not use.
Assert	"xbasic_types.h"	"xil_assert.h"
Test Memory	"xutil.h"	"xil_testmem.h"
Test Register IO	None	"xil_testio.h"
Test Cache	None	"xil_testcache.h"
XTRUE, XFALSE, XNULL definitions	"xbasic_types.h"	Deprecated. Use TRUE, FALSE, NULL defined in xil_types.h

Mapping Functions to HAL Functions

You should map old functions to the new HAL functions as follows.

Table 6: I/O Function Mapping

Old xio	New xil_io
#include "xio.h"	#include "xil_io.h"
Xlo_In8	Xil_In8
Xlo_Out8	Xil_Out8
Xlo_In16	Xil_In16
Xlo_Out16	Xil_Out16
Xlo_In32	Xil_In32
Xlo_Out32	Xil_Out32

Table 7: Exception Function Mapping

Old xexception	New Xil_exception
#include "xexception_l.h" #include "mb_interface.h"	#include "xil_exception.h"
XExc_Init	Xil_ExceptionInit
XExc_mEnableException microblaze_enable_exceptions	For all processors: Xil_ExceptionEnable(void)
XExc_registerHandler microblaze_register_exception_handler	Xil_ExceptionRegisterHandler
XExc_RemoveHandler	Xil_ExceptionRemoveHandler
XExc_mDisableExceptions microblaze_disable_exceptions	Xil_ExceptionDisable

Table 8: Interrupt Function Mapping

Old Interrupt	New Xil_interrupt
#include "xexception_l.h"	#include "xil_exception.h"
XExc_RegisterHandler(XEXC_ID_NON_CRITICAL, handler) microblaze_register_handler(handler)	Xil_ExceptionRegisterHandler(XIL_EXCEPTION_ID_INT, handler)

Table 9: Cache Function Mapping

Old xcache	New xil_cache
#include "Xcache_I.h" #include "mb_interface.h"	#include "xil_cache.h"
XCache_EnableDCache microblaze_enable_dcache	For all processors: Xil_DCacheEnable(void)
XCache_DisableDCache microblaze_disable_dcache	Xil_DCacheDisable
XCache_InvalidateDCacheRange microblaze_invalidate_dcache_range	Xil_DCacheInvalidateRange
microblaze_invalidate_dcache	Xil_DCacheInvalidate
XCache_FlushDCacheRange microblaze_flush_dcache_range	Xil_DCacheFlushRange
microblaze_flush_dcache	Xil_DCacheFlush
XCache_EnableICache microblaze_enable_icache	For all processors: Xil_ICacheEnable(void)
XCache_DisableICache microblaze_disable_icache	Xil_ICacheDisable
XCache_InvalidateICacheRange microblaze_invalidate_icache_Range	Xil_ICacheInvalidateRange
microblaze_invalidate_icache	Xil_ICacheInvalidate

Table 10: Assert Function Mapping

Old ASSERT	New xil_assert
#include "xbasic_types.h"	#include "xil_assert.h"
XAssert	Xil_Assert
XASSERT_VOID	Xil_AssertVoid
XASSERT_NONVOID	Xil_AssertNonvoid
XASSERT_VOID_ALWAYS	Xil_AssertVoidAlways
XASSERT_NONVOID_ALWAYS	Xil_AssertNonvoidAlways
XAssertSetCallback	Xil_AssertSetCallback

Table 11: Memory Test Function Mapping

Old XUtil_Memtest	New xil_testmem
#include "xutil.h"	#include "xil_testmem.h"
XUtil_MemoryTest32	Xil_Testmem32
XUtil_MemoryTest16	Xil_Testmem16
XUtil_MemoryTest8	Xil_Testmem8

Program Profiling

The Standalone OS supports program profiling in conjunction with the GNU compiler tools and the Xilinx Microprocessor Debugger (XMD). Profiling a program running on a hardware (board) provides insight into program execution and identifies where execution time is spent. The interaction of the program with memory and other peripherals can be more accurately captured.

Program running on hardware target is profiled using *software intrusive* method. In this method, the profiling software code is instrumented in the user program. The profiling software code is a part of the `libxil.a` library and is generated when software intrusive profiling is enabled in Standalone. For more details on about profiling, refer to the “Profile Overview” section of the *SDK Help*.

When the `-pg` profile option is specified to the compiler (`mb-gcc`), the profiling functions are linked with the application to profile automatically. The generated executable file contains code to generate profile information.

Upon program execution, this instrumented profiling function stores information on the hardware. XMD collects the profile information and generates the output file, which can be read by the GNU `gprof` tool. The program functionality remains unchanged but it slows down the execution.

Note: The profiling functions do not have any explicit application API. The library is linked due to profile calls (`_mcount`) introduced by GCC for profiling.

Profiling Requirements

- Software intrusive profiling requires memory for storing profile information. You can use any memory in the system for profiling.
- A timer is required for sampling instruction address. The `axi_timer` is the supported profile timer for MicroBlaze processors. The Global Timer is used as the profile timer for Cortex A9 processors.

Profiling Functions

`_profile_init`

Called before the application `main()` function. Initializes the profile timer routine and registers timer handler accordingly, based on the timer used, connects to the processor, and starts the timer. The Tcl routine of Standalone library determines the timer type and the connection to processor, then generates the `#defines` in the `profile_config.h` file.

Refer to the “Microprocessor Library Definition (MLD)” chapter in the *Embedded System Tools Reference Manual (UG111)*, which is available in the installation directory. A link to this document is also provided in [“MicroBlaze Processor API,” page 1](#).

`_mcount`

Called by the `_mcount` function, which is inserted at every function start by `gcc`. Records the *caller* and *callee* information (Instruction address), which is used to generate call graph information.

`_profile_intr_handler`

The interrupt handler for the profiling timer. The timer is set to sample the executing application for PC values at fixed intervals and increment the Bin count. This function is used to generate the histogram information.

Configuring the Standalone OS

You can configure the Standalone OS using the Board Support Package Settings dialog box in SDK.

Table 12 lists the configurable parameters for the Standalone OS.

Table 12: Configuration Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default Value	Description
enable_sw_intrusive_profiling	Bool	false	Enable software intrusive profiling functionality. Select true to enable.
profile_timer	Peripheral Instance	none	Specify the timer to use for profiling. Select an axi_timer from the list of displayed instances. For Cortex A9, the ARM Cortex-A9 Private timer is used.
stdin	Peripheral Instance	none	Specify the STDIN peripheral from the drop down list
stdout	Peripheral Instance	none	Specify the STDOUT peripheral from the drop down list.
predecode_fpu_exception	Bool	false	This parameter is valid only for MicroBlaze processor when FPU exceptions are enabled in the hardware. Setting this to true will include extra code that decodes and stores the faulting FP instruction operands in global variables.

MicroBlaze MMU Example

The `tlb_add` function adds a single TLB entry. The parameters are:

tlbindex	The index of the TLB entry to be updated.
tlbhi	The value of the TLBHI field.
tlblo	The value of the TLBLO field.

```
static inline void tlb_add(int tlbindex, unsigned int tlbhi, unsigned int
tlblo)
{
    __asm__ __volatile__ ("mts rtlbx,  %2 \n\t"
                          "mts rtlbhi, %0 \n\t"
                          "mts rtlblo, %1 \n\t"
                          ":: "r" (tlbhi),
                          "r" (tlblo),
                          "r" (tlbindex));

    tlbentry[tlbindex].tlbhi = tlbhi;
    tlbentry[tlbindex].tlblo = tlblo;
}
```

Given a base and high address, the `tlb_add_entries` function figures the minimum number page mappings/TLB entries required to cover the area. This function uses recursion to figure the entire range of mappings.

Parameters:

base	The base address of the region of memory
high	The high address of the region of memory
tlbaccess	The type of access required for this region of memory. It can be a logical or -ing of the following flags: 0 indicates read-only access TLB_ACCESS_EXECUTABLE means the region is executable TLB_ACCESS_WRITABLE means the region is writable

Returns: 1 on success and 0 on failure

```

static int tlb_add_entries (unsigned int base, unsigned int high, unsigned
int tlbaccess)
{
    int sizeindex, tlbsizemask;
    unsigned int tlbhi, tlblo;
    unsigned int area_base, area_high, area_size;
    static int tlbindex = 0;

    // Align base and high to 1KB boundaries
    base = base & 0xfffffc00;
    high = (high >= 0xfffffc00) ? 0xffffffff : ((high + 0x400) & 0xfffffc00)
- 1;

    // Start trying to allocate pages from 16 MB granularity down to 1 KB
    area_size = 0x1000000;           // 16 MB
    tlbsizemask = 0x380;             // TLBHI[SIZE] = 7 (16 MB)

    for (sizeindex = 7; sizeindex >= 0; sizeindex--) {
        area_base = base & sizemask[sizeindex];
        area_high = area_base + (area_size - 1);

        // if (area_base <= (0xffffffff - (area_size - 1))) {

        if ((area_base >= base) && (area_high <= high)) {

            if (tlbindex < TLBSIZE) {
                tlbhi = (base & sizemask[sizeindex]) | tlbsizemask | 0x40;
                tlblo = (base & sizemask[sizeindex]) | tlbaccess | 0x8;
                tlb_add (tlbindex, tlbhi, tlblo);

                tlbindex++;
            } else {
                // We only handle the 64 entry UTLB management for now
                return 0;
            }

            // Recursively add entries for lower area
            if (area_base > base)
                if (!tlb_add_entries (base, area_base - 1, tlbaccess))
                    return 0;
        }
    }
}

```

```
        // Recursively add entries for higher area
        if (area_high < high)
            if (!tlb_add_entries(area_high + 1, high, tlbaccess))
                return 0;

            break;
    }
    // else, we try the next lower page size
    area_size  = area_size >> 2;
    tlbsizemask = tlbsizemask - 0x80;
}
return 1;
}
```

For a complete example, refer to:

\$XILINX_SDK/data/embeddedsw/lib/bsp/xilkernel_v6_1/src/src/arch/
microblaze/mpu.c.

Overview

Xilkernel is a small, robust, and modular kernel. It is a free software library that you receive with the Xilinx® Software Development Kit (SDK). Xilkernel:

- Allows a high degree of customization, letting you tailor the kernel to an optimal level both in terms of size and functionality.
- Supports the core features required in a lightweight embedded kernel, with a POSIX API.
- Works on MicroBlaze™ processors.

Xilkernel IPC services can be used to implement higher level services (such as networking, video, and audio) and subsequently run applications using these services.

Why Use a Kernel?

The following are a few of the deciding factors that can influence your choice of using a kernel as the software platform for your next application project:

- Typical embedded control applications comprise various *tasks* that need to be performed in a particular sequence or schedule. As the number of control tasks involved grows, it becomes difficult to organize the sub-tasks manually, and to time-share the required work. The responsiveness and the capability of such an application decreases dramatically when the complexity is increased.
- Breaking down tasks as individual applications and implementing them on an operating system (OS) is much more intuitive.
- A kernel enables the you to write code at an abstract level, instead of at a small, micro-controller-level standalone code.
- Many common and legacy applications rely on OS services such as file systems, time management, and so forth. Xilkernel is a thin library that provides these essential services. Porting or using common and open source libraries (such as graphics or network protocols) might require some form of these OS services also.

Key Features

Xilkernel includes the following key features:

- High scalability into a given system through the inclusion or exclusion of functionality as required.
- Complete kernel configuration and deployment within minutes from inside of SDK.
- Robustness of the kernel: system calls protected by parameter validity checks and proper return of POSIX error codes.
- A POSIX API targeting embedded kernels, with core kernel features such as:
 - Threads with round-robin or strict priority scheduling.
 - Synchronization services: semaphores and mutex locks.
 - IPC services: message queues and shared memory.
 - Dynamic buffer pool memory allocation.
 - Software timers.
 - User-level interrupt handling.
- Static thread creation that startup with the kernel.

- System call interface to the kernel.
- Exception handling for the MicroBlaze processor.
- Memory protection using MicroBlaze Memory Management (Protection) Unit (MMU) features when available.

Xilkernel Organization

The kernel is highly modular in design. You can select and customize the kernel modules that are needed for the application at hand. Customizing the kernel is discussed in detail in [“Kernel Customization,” page 43](#)⁽¹⁾. [Figure 1](#) shows the various modules of Xilkernel:

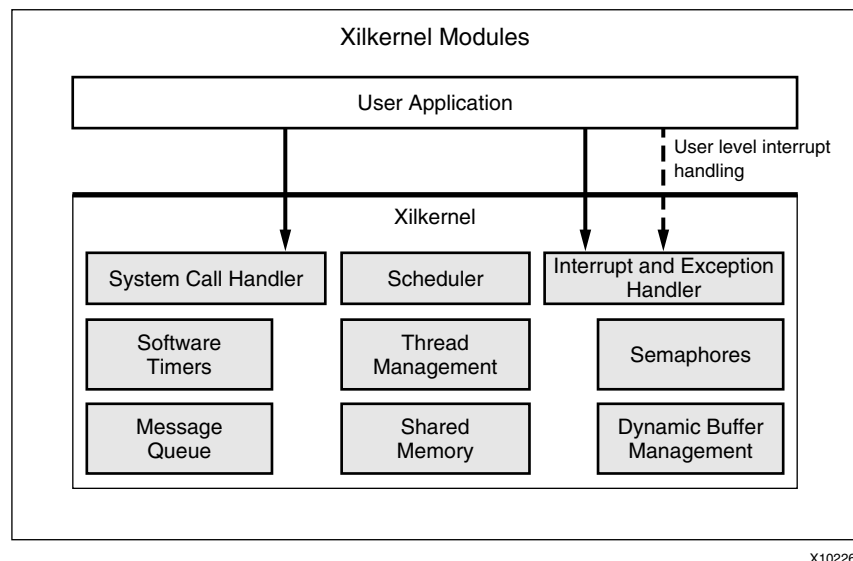


Figure 1: Xilkernel Modules

Building Xilkernel Applications

Xilkernel is organized in the form of a library of kernel functions. This leads to a simple model of kernel linkage. To build Xilkernel, you must include Xilkernel in your software platform, configure it appropriately, and run Libgen to generate the Xilkernel library. Your application sources can be edited and developed separately. After you have developed your application, you must link with the Xilkernel library, thus pulling in all the kernel functionality to build the final kernel image. The Xilkernel library is generated as `libxilkernel.a`. [Figure 2, page 3](#) shows this development flow.

Internally, Xilkernel also supports the much more powerful, traditional OS-like method of linkage and separate executables. Conventional operating systems have the kernel image as a separate file and each application that executes on the kernel as a separate file. However, Xilinx recommends that you use the more simple and more elegant library linkage mode. This mode provides maximum ease of use. It is also the preferred mode for debugging, downloading, and bootloading. The separate executable mode is required only by those who have advanced requirements in the form of separate executables. The separate executable mode and its caveats are documented in [“Deprecated Features,” page 51](#).

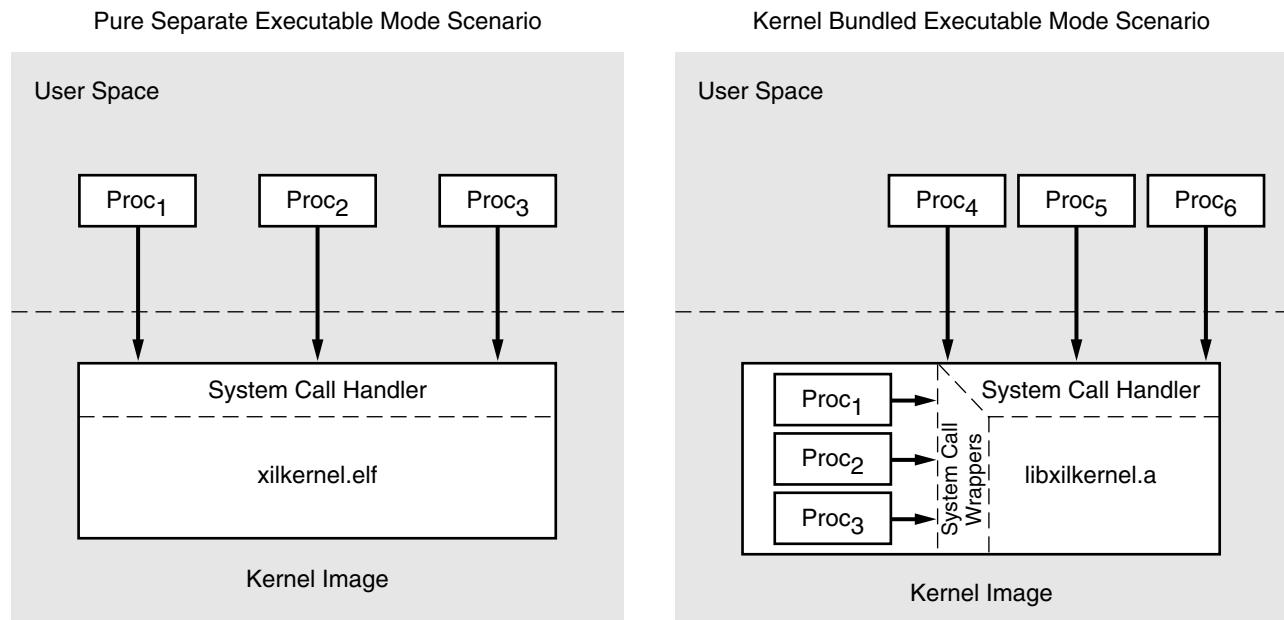
The following are the steps for the kernel linkage mode of application development:

1. Application source C files should include the file `xmk.h` as the first file among others. For example, defining the `includexmk.h` flag makes available certain definitions and declarations from the GNU include files that are required by Xilkernel and applications.

1. Some of these features might not be fully supported in a given release of Xilkernel.

2. Your application software project links with the library `libxil.a`. This library contains the actual kernel functions generated. Your application links with this and forms the final kernel and application image.
3. Xilkernel is responsible for all first level interrupt and exception handling on both the MicroBlaze and PowerPC processors. Therefore, you should not directly attempt to use any of the methods of handling interrupts documented for standalone programs. Instead refer to the section on interrupt handling for how to handle user level interrupts and exceptions.
4. You can control the memory map of the kernel by using the linker script feature of the final software application project that links with the kernel. Automatic linker script generation helps you here.
5. Your application must provide a `main()` which is the starting point of execution for your kernel image. Inside your `main()`, you can do any initialization and setup that you need to do. The kernel remains unstarted and dormant. At the point where your application setup is complete and you want the kernel to start, you must invoke `xilkernel_main()` that starts off the kernel, enables interrupts, and transfers control to your application processes, as configured. Some system-level features may need to be enabled before invoking `xilkernel_main()`. These are typically machine-state features such as cache enablement, hardware exception enablement which must be “always ON” even when context switching from application to application. Make sure that you setup such system state before invoking `xilkernel_main()`. Also, you must not arbitrarily modify such system-state in your application threads. If a context switch occurs when the system state is modified, it could lead to subsequent threads executing without that state being enabled; consequently, you must lock out context switches and interrupts before you modify such a state.

Note: Your linker script must be aware of the requirements for the kernel.



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Figure 2: Xilkernel Development Flow

Xilkernel Process Model

The units of execution within Xilkernel are called *process contexts*. Scheduling is done at the process context level. There is no concept of thread groups combining to form, what is conventionally called a process. Instead, all the threads are peers and compete equally for resources. The POSIX threads API is the primary user-visible interface to these process contexts. There are a few other useful additional interfaces provided, that are not a part of POSIX. The interfaces allow creating, destroying, and manipulating created application threads. The actual interfaces are described in detail in “Xilkernel API,” page 6. Threads are manipulated with thread identifiers. The underlying process context is identified with a process identifier *pid_t*.

Xilkernel Scheduling Model

Xilkernel supports either priority-driven, preemptive scheduling with time slicing (`SCHED_PRIO`) or simple round-robin scheduling (`SCHED_RR`). This is a global scheduling policy and cannot be changed on a per-thread basis. This must be configured statically at kernel generation time.

In `SCHED_RR`, there is a single ready queue and each process context executes for a configured time slice before yielding execution to the next process context in the queue.

In `SCHED_PRIO` there are as many ready queues as there are priority levels. Priority 0 is the highest priority in the system and higher values mean lower priority.

As shown in the following figure, the process that is at the head of the highest priority ready queue is always scheduled to execute next. Within the same priority level, scheduling is round-robin and time-sliced. If a ready queue level is empty, it is skipped and the next ready queue level examined for schedulable processes. Blocked processes are off their ready queues and in their appropriate wait queues. The number of priority levels can be configured for `SCHED_PRIO`.

For both the scheduling models, the length of the ready queue can also be configured. If there are wait queues inside the kernel (in semaphores, message queues), they are configured as priority queues if scheduling mode is `SCHED_PRIO`. Otherwise, they are configured as simple first-in-first-out (FIFO) queues.

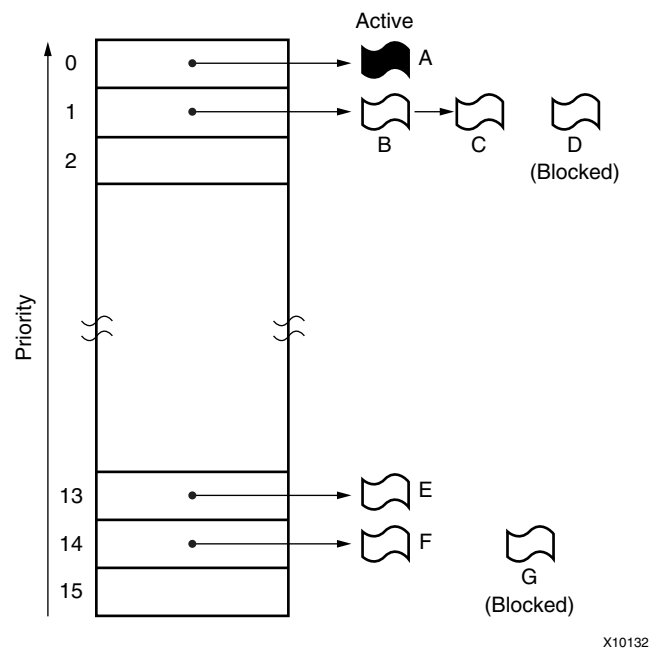
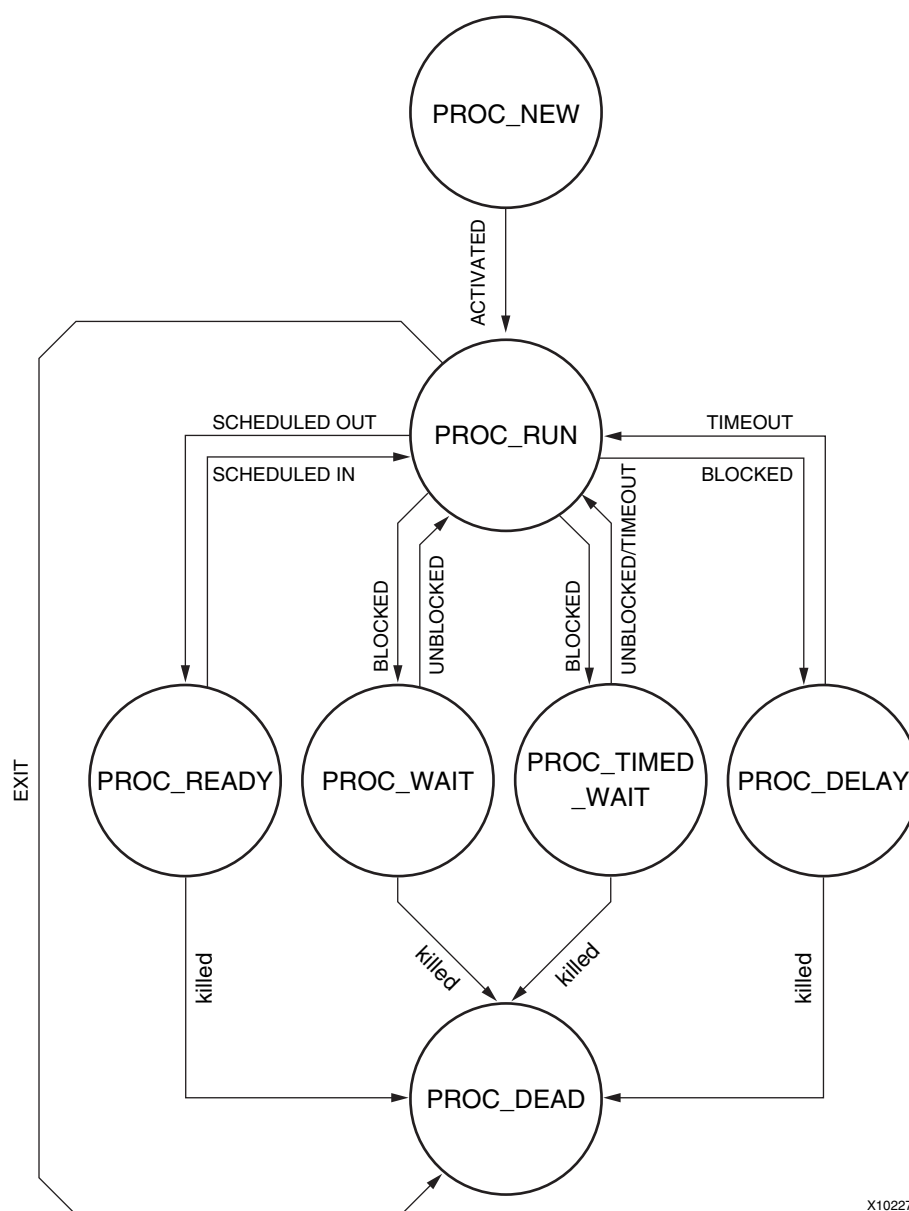


Figure 3: Priority-Driven Scheduling

Each process context is in any of the following six states:

- `PROC_NEW` - A newly created process.
- `PROC_READY` - A process ready to execute.
- `PROC_RUN` - A process that is running.
- `PROC_WAIT` - A process that is blocked on a resource.
- `PROC_DELAY` - A process that is waiting for a timeout.
- `PROC_TIMED_WAIT` - A process that is blocked on a resource and has an associated timeout.

When a process terminates, it enters a dead state called `PROC_DEAD`. The process context state diagram is shown in the following figure.



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Figure 4: Process Context States

POSIX Interface

Xilkernel provides a POSIX interface to the kernel. Not all the concepts and interfaces defined by POSIX are available. A subset covering the most useful interfaces and concepts are implemented. Xilkernel programs can run almost equivalently on your desktop OS, like Linux or SunOS. This makes for easy application development, portability and legacy software support. The programming model appeals to those who have worked on equivalent POSIX interfaces on traditional operating systems. For those interfaces that have been provided, POSIX is rigorously adhered to in almost all cases. For cases that do differ, the differences are clearly specified. Refer to “[Xilkernel API](#)”, for the actual interfaces and their descriptions.

Xilkernel Functions

Click an item below view function summaries and descriptions for:

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Xilkernel API

Thread Management

Xilkernel supports the basic POSIX threads API. Thread creation and manipulation is done in standard POSIX notation. Threads are identified by a unique thread identifier. The thread identifier is of type `pthread_t`. This thread identifier uniquely identifies a thread for an operation. Threads created in the system have a kernel wrapper to which they return control to when they terminate. So, a specific exit function is not required at the end of the thread's code.

Thread stack is allocated automatically on behalf of the thread from a pool of Block Starting Symbol (BSS) memory that is statically allocated based upon the maximum number of system threads. You can also assign a custom piece of memory as the stack for each thread to create dynamically.

The entire thread module is optional and can be configured in or out as a part of the software specification. See “[Configuring Thread Management](#),” [page 45](#) for more details on customizing this module.

Thread Management Function Summary

The following list is a linked summary of the thread management functions in Xilkernel. Click on a function to view a detailed description.

```
int pthread_create(pthread_t thread, pthread_attr_t* attr, void*(*start_func)(void*),void*
param)
void pthread_exit(void *value_ptr)
int pthread_join(pthread_t thread, void **value_ptr)
int pthread_detach(pthread_t target)
int pthread_equal(pthread_t t1, pthread_t t2)
int pthread_getschedparam(pthread_t thread, int *policy, struct sched_param *param)
int pthread_setschedparam(pthread_t thread, int policy, const struct sched_param *param)
int pthread_attr_init(pthread_attr_t* attr)
int pthread_attr_destroy (pthread_attr_t* attr)
int pthread_attr_setdetachstate(pthread_attr_t* attr, int dstate)
int pthread_attr_getdetachstate(pthread_attr_t* attr, int *dstate)
int pthread_attr_setschedparam(pthread_attr_t* attr, struct sched_param *schedpar)
int pthread_attr_getschedparam(pthread_attr_t* attr, struct sched_param* schedpar)
int pthread_attr_setstack(const pthread_attr_t *attr, void *stackaddr, size_t stacksize)
int pthread_attr_getstack(const pthread_attr_t *attr, void **stackaddr, size_t *stacksize)
pid_t get_currentPID(void)
int kill(pid_tpid)
int process_status(pid_t pid, p_stat *ps)
int xmk_add_static_thread(void* (*start_routine)(void *), int sched_priority)
int yield(void)
```

Thread Management Function Descriptions

The following descriptions are the thread management interface identifiers.

```
int pthread_create(pthread_t thread, pthread_attr_t* attr,
    void* (*start_func)(void*), void* param)
```

Parameters	<p><i>thread</i> is the location at which to store the created thread's identifier.</p> <p><i>attr</i> is the pointer to thread creation attributes structure.</p> <p><i>start_func</i> is the start address of the function from which the thread needs to execute.</p> <p><i>param</i> is the pointer argument to the thread function.</p>
Returns	<p>0 and thread identifier of the created thread in <i>*thread</i>, on success.</p> <p>-1 if <i>thread</i> refers to an invalid location.</p> <p>EINVAL if <i>attr</i> refers to invalid attributes.</p> <p>EAGAIN if resources unavailable to create the thread.</p>
Description	<p><code>pthread_create()</code> creates a new thread, with attributes specified by <i>attr</i>, within a process. If <i>attr</i> is NULL, the default attributes are used. If the attributes specified by <i>attr</i> are modified later, the thread's attributes are not affected. Upon successful completion, <code>pthread_create()</code> stores the ID of the created thread in the location referenced by <i>thread</i>. The thread is created executing <i>start_routine</i> with <i>arg</i> as its sole argument. If the <i>start_routine</i> returns, the effect is as if there was an implicit call to <code>pthread_exit()</code> using the return value of <i>start_routine</i> as the exit status. This is explained in the <i>pthread_exit</i> description.</p> <p>You can control various attributes of a thread during its creation. See the <i>pthread_attr</i> routines for a description of the kinds of thread creation attributes that you can control.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
void pthread_exit(void *value_ptr)
```

Parameters	<i>value_ptr</i> is a pointer to the return value of the thread.
Returns	None.
Description	<p>The <code>pthread_exit()</code> function terminates the calling thread and makes the value <i>value_ptr</i> available to any successful join with the terminating thread. Thread termination releases process context resources including, but not limited to, memory and attributes. An implicit call to <code>pthread_exit()</code> is made when a thread returns from the creating start routine. The return value of the function serves as the thread's exit status. Therefore no explicit <code>pthread_exit()</code> is required at the end of a thread.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_join(pthread_t thread, void **value_ptr)
```

Parameters	<i>value_ptr</i> is a pointer to the return value of the thread.
Returns	0 on success. ESRCH if the target thread is not in a joinable state or is an invalid thread. EINVAL if the target thread already has someone waiting to join with it.
Description	The <code>pthread_join()</code> function suspends execution of the calling thread until the <i>pthread_t</i> (target thread) terminates, unless the target thread has already terminated. Upon return from a successful <code>pthread_join()</code> call with a non-NULL <i>value_ptr</i> argument, the value passed to the <code>pthread_exit()</code> function by the terminating thread is made available in the location referenced by <i>value_ptr</i> . When a <code>pthread_join()</code> returns successfully, the target thread has been terminated. The results of multiple simultaneous calls to <code>pthread_join()</code> specifying the same target thread are that only one thread succeeds and the others fail with EINVAL. Note: No deadlock detection is provided.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
pthread_t pthread_self(void)
```

Parameters	None.
Returns	On success, returns thread identifier of current thread. Error behavior not defined.
Description	The <code>pthread_self()</code> function returns the thread ID of the calling thread.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_detach(pthread_t target)
```

Parameters	<i>target</i> is the target thread to detach.
Returns	0 on success. ESRCH if target thread cannot be found.
Description	The <code>pthread_detach()</code> function indicates to the implementation that storage for the <i>thread</i> can be reclaimed when that thread terminates. If thread has not terminated, <code>pthread_detach()</code> does not cause it to terminate. The effect of multiple <code>pthread_detach()</code> calls on the same target thread is unspecified.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_equal(pthread_t t1, pthread_t t2)
```

Parameters	<i>t1</i> and <i>t2</i> are the two thread identifiers to compare.
Returns	1 if <i>t1</i> and <i>t2</i> refer to threads that are equal. 0 otherwise.
Description	The <code>pthread_equal()</code> function returns a non-zero value if <i>t1</i> and <i>t2</i> are equal; otherwise, zero is returned. If either <i>t1</i> or <i>t2</i> are not valid thread IDs, zero is returned.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_getschedparam(pthread_t thread, int *policy,
    struct sched_param *param)
```

Parameters	<p><i>thread</i> is the identifier of the thread on which to perform the operation.</p> <p><i>policy</i> is a pointer to the location where the global scheduling policy is stored.</p> <p><i>param</i> is a pointer to the scheduling parameters structure.</p>
Returns	<p>0 on success.</p> <p>ESRCH if the value specified by thread does not refer to an existing thread.</p> <p>EINVAL if param or policy refer to invalid memory.</p>
Description	<p>The <code>pthread_getschedparam()</code> function gets the scheduling policy and parameters of an individual thread. For <code>SCHED_RR</code> there are no scheduling parameters; consequently, this routine is not defined for <code>SCHED_RR</code>.</p> <p>For <code>SCHED_PRIO</code>, the only required member of the <code>sched_param</code> structure is the priority <i>sched_priority</i>. The returned priority value is the value specified by the most recent <code>pthread_getschedparam()</code> or <code>pthread_create()</code> call affecting the target thread.</p> <p>It does not reflect any temporary adjustments to its priority as a result of any priority inheritance or ceiling functions.</p> <p>This routine is defined only if scheduling type is <code>SCHED_PRIO</code>.</p>
Returns	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_setschedparam(pthread_t thread, int policy,
    const struct sched_param *param)
```

Parameters	<p><i>thread</i> is the identifier of the thread on which to perform the operation.</p> <p><i>policy</i> is ignored.</p> <p><i>param</i> is a pointer to the scheduling parameters structure.</p>
Returns	<p>0 on success.</p> <p>ESRCH if <i>thread</i> does not refer to a valid thread.</p> <p>EINVAL if the scheduling parameters are invalid.</p>
Description	<p>The <code>pthread_setschedparam()</code> function sets the scheduling policy and parameters of individual threads to be retrieved. For <code>SCHED_RR</code> there are no scheduling parameters; consequently this routine is not defined for <code>SCHED_RR</code>.</p> <p>For <code>SCHED_PRIO</code>, the only required member of the <code>sched_param</code> structure is the priority <i>sched_priority</i>. The priority value must be a valid value as configured in the scheduling parameters of the kernel. The policy parameter is ignored.</p> <p>Note: This routine is defined only if scheduling type is <code>SCHED_PRIO</code>.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_attr_init(pthread_attr_t* attr)
```

Parameters *attr* is a pointer to the attribute structure to be initialized.

Returns 0 on success.
1 on failure.
EINVAL on invalid *attr* parameter.

Description The `pthread_attr_init()` function initializes a thread attributes object *attr* with the default value for all of the individual attributes used by a given implementation. The function contents are defined in the `sys/types.h` header.

Note: This function does not make a call to the kernel.

Includes `xmk.h`, `pthread.h`

```
int pthread_attr_destroy (pthread_attr_t* attr)
```

Parameters *attr* is a pointer to the thread attributes that must be destroyed.

Returns 0 on success.
EINVAL on errors.

Description The `pthread_attr_destroy()` function destroys a thread attributes object and sets *attr* to an implementation-defined invalid value.
Re-initialize a destroyed *attr* attributes object with `pthread_attr_init()`; the results of otherwise referencing the object after it is destroyed are undefined.

Note: This function does not make a call to the kernel.

Includes `xmk.h`, `pthread.h`

```
int pthread_attr_setdetachstate(pthread_attr_t* attr, int dstate)
```

Parameters *attr* is the attribute structure on which the operation is to be performed.
dstate is the detachstate required.

Returns 0 on success.
EINVAL on invalid parameters.

Description The detachstate attribute controls whether the thread is created in a detached state. If the thread is created detached, then when the thread exits, the thread's resources are detached without requiring a `pthread_join()` or a call `pthread_detach()`. The application can set detachstate to either `PTHREAD_CREATE_DETACHED` or `PTHREAD_CREATE_JOINABLE`.

Note: This does not make a call into the kernel.

Includes `xmk.h`, `pthread.h`

```
int pthread_attr_getdetachstate(pthread_attr_t* attr, int
*dstate)
```

Parameters	<i>attr</i> is the attribute structure on which the operation is to be performed. <i>dstate</i> is the location in which to store the detachstate.
Returns	0 on success. EINVAL on invalid parameters.
Description	The implementation stores either PTHREAD_CREATE_DETACHED or PTHREAD_CREATE_JOINABLE in <i>dstate</i> , if the value of detachstate was valid in <i>attr</i> . Note: This does not make a call into the kernel.
Includes	xmk.h, pthread.h

```
int pthread_attr_setschedparam(pthread_attr_t* attr,
struct sched_param *schedpar)
```

Parameters	<i>attr</i> is the attribute structure on which the operation is to be performed. <i>schedpar</i> is the location of the structure that contains the scheduling parameters.
Returns	0 on success. EINVAL on invalid parameters. ENOTSUP for invalid scheduling parameters.
Description	The pthread_attr_setschedparam() function sets the scheduling parameter attributes in the <i>attr</i> argument. The contents of the <i>sched_param</i> structure are defined in the sched.h header. Note: This does not make a call into the kernel.
Includes	xmk.h, pthread.h

```
int pthread_attr_getschedparam(pthread_attr_t* attr,
struct sched_param* schedpar)
```

Parameters	<i>attr</i> is the attribute structure on which the operation is to be performed. <i>schedpar</i> is the location at which to store the <i>sched_param</i> structure.
Returns	0 on success. EINVAL on invalid parameters.
Description	The pthread_attr_getschedparam() gets the scheduling parameter attributes in the <i>attr</i> argument. The contents of the <i>param</i> structure are defined in the sched.h header. Note: This does not make a call to the kernel.
Includes	xmk.h, pthread.h

```
int pthread_attr_setstack(const pthread_attr_t *attr, void
    *stackaddr, size_t stacksize)
```

Parameters	<p><i>attr</i> is the attributes structure on which to perform the operation.</p> <p><i>stackaddr</i> is base address of the stack memory.</p> <p><i>stacksize</i> is the size of the memory block in bytes.</p>
Returns	<p>0 on success.</p> <p>EINVAL if the <i>attr</i> param is invalid or if <i>stackaddr</i> is not aligned appropriately.</p>
Description	<p>The <code>pthread_attr_setstack()</code> function shall set the thread creation stack attributes <i>stackaddr</i> and <i>stacksize</i> in the <i>attr</i> object.</p> <p>The stack attributes specify the area of storage to be used for the created thread's stack. The base (lowest addressable byte) of the storage is <i>stackaddr</i>, and the size of the storage is <i>stacksize</i> bytes.</p> <p>The <i>stackaddr</i> must be aligned appropriately according to the processor EABI, to be used as a stack; for example, <code>pthread_attr_setstack()</code> might fail with EINVAL if (<i>stackaddr</i> and 0x3) is not 0.</p> <p>Note: For the MicroBlaze processor, the alignment required is 4 bytes.</p>
Includes	xmk.h, pthread.h

```
int pthread_attr_getstack(const pthread_attr_t *attr, void
    **stackaddr, size_t *stacksize)
```

Parameters	<p><i>attr</i> is the attributes structure on which to perform the operation.</p> <p><i>stackaddr</i> is the location at which to store the base address of the stack memory.</p> <p><i>stacksize</i> is the location at which to store the size of the memory block in bytes.</p>
Returns	<p>0 on success.</p> <p>EINVAL on invalid <i>attr</i>.</p>
Description	<p>The <code>pthread_attr_getstack()</code> function retrieves the thread creation attributes related to stack of the specified attributes structure and stores it in <i>stackaddr</i> and <i>stacksize</i>.</p>
Includes	xmk.h, pthread.h

```
pid_t get_currentPID(void)
```

Parameters	None.
Returns	The process identifier associated with the current thread or elf process.
Description	Gets the underlying process identifier of the process context that is executing currently. The process identifier is needed to perform certain operations like <code>kill()</code> on both processes and threads.
Includes	xmk.h, sys/process.h


```
int kill(pid_t pid)
```

Parameters	<i>pid</i> is the PID of the process.
Returns	0 on success. -1 on failure.
Description	Removes the process context specified by <i>pid</i> from the system. If <i>pid</i> refers to the current executing process context, then it is equivalent to the current process context terminating. A kill can be invoked on processes that are suspended on wait queues or on a timeout. No indication is given to other processes that are dependant on this process context. Note: This function is defined only if CONFIG_KILL is true. This can be configured in with the enhanced features category of the kernel.
Includes	xmk.h, sys/process.h

```
int process_status(pid_t pid, p_stat *ps)
```

Parameters	<i>pid</i> is the PID of process. <i>ps</i> is the buffer where the process status is returned.
Returns	Process status in <i>ps</i> on success. NULL in <i>ps</i> on failure.
Description	Get the status of the process or thread, whose pid is <i>pid</i> . The status is returned in structure <i>p_stat</i> which has the following fields: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>pid</i> is the process ID. • <i>state</i> is the current scheduling state of the process. The contents of <i>p_stat</i> are defined in the <i>sys/ktypes.h</i> header.
Includes	xmk.h, sys/process.h

```
int xmk_add_static_thread(void* (*start_routine)(void *),  
int sched_priority)
```

Parameters	<i>start_routine</i> is the thread start routine. <i>sched_priority</i> is the priority of the thread when the kernel is configured for priority scheduling.
Returns	0 on success and -1 on failure.
Description	This function provides the ability to add a thread to the list of startup or static threads that run on kernel start, via C code. This function must be used prior to <i>xilkernel_main()</i> being invoked.
Includes	xmk.h, sys/init.h

```
int yield(void)
```

Parameters None.

Returns None.

Description Yields the processor to the next process context that is ready to execute. The current process is put back in the appropriate ready queue.

Note: This function is optional and included only if `CONFIG_YIELD` is defined. This can be configured in with the enhanced features category of the kernel.

Includes `xmk.h`, `sys/process.h`

Semaphores

Xilkernel supports kernel-allocated POSIX semaphores that can be used for synchronization. POSIX semaphores are counting semaphores that also count below zero (a negative value indicates the number of processes blocked on the semaphore). Xilkernel also supports a few interfaces for working with named semaphores. The number of semaphores allocated in the kernel and the length of semaphore wait queues can be configured during system initialization. Refer to “[Configuring Semaphores](#),” page 46 for more details. The semaphore module is optional and can be configured in or out during system initialization. The message queue module, described later on in this document, uses semaphores. This module must be included if you are to use message queues.

Semaphore Function Summary

The following list provides a linked summary of the semaphore functions in Xilkernel. You can click on a function to go to the description.

[int sem_init\(sem_t *sem, int pshared, unsigned value\)](#)

[int sem_destroy\(sem_t* sem\)](#)

[int sem_getvalue\(sem_t* sem, int* value\)](#)

[int sem_wait\(sem_t* sem\)](#)

[int sem_trywait\(sem_t* sem\)](#)

[int sem_timedwait\(sem_t* sem, unsigned_ms\)](#)

[sem_t* sem_open\(const char* name, int oflag,...\)](#)

[int sem_close\(sem_t* sem\)](#)

[int sem_post\(sem_t* sem\)](#)

[int sem_unlink\(const char* name\)](#)

Semaphore Function Descriptions

The following are descriptions of the Xilkernel semaphore functions:

```
int sem_init(sem_t *sem, int pshared, unsigned value)
```

Parameters	<p><i>sem</i> is the location at which to store the created semaphore's identifier.</p> <p><i>pshared</i> indicates sharing status of the semaphore, between processes.</p> <p><i>value</i> is the initial count of the semaphore.</p> <p>Note: <i>pshared</i> is unused currently.</p>
Returns	<p>0 on success.</p> <p>-1 on failure and sets <code>errno</code> appropriately. The <code>errno</code> is set to <code>ENOSPC</code> if no more semaphore resources are available in the system.</p>
Description	<p>The <code>sem_init()</code> function initializes the unnamed semaphore referred to by <i>sem</i>. The value of the initialized semaphore is <i>value</i>. Following a successful call to <code>sem_init()</code>, the semaphore can be used in subsequent calls to <code>sem_wait()</code>, <code>sem_trywait()</code>, <code>sem_post()</code>, and <code>sem_destroy()</code>. This semaphore remains usable until the semaphore is destroyed. Only <i>sem</i> itself can be used for performing synchronization. The result of referring to copies of <i>sem</i> in calls to <code>sem_wait()</code>, <code>sem_trywait()</code>, <code>sem_post()</code>, and <code>sem_destroy()</code> is undefined. Attempting to initialize an already initialized semaphore results in undefined behavior.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>semaphore.h</code>

```
int sem_destroy(sem_t* sem)
```

Parameters	<i>sem</i> is the semaphore to be destroyed.
Returns	<p>0 on success.</p> <p>-1 on failure and sets <code>errno</code> appropriately. The <code>errno</code> can be set to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>EINVAL</code> if the semaphore identifier does not refer to a valid semaphore. • <code>EBUSY</code> if the semaphore is currently locked, and processes are blocked on it.
Description	<p>The <code>sem_destroy()</code> function destroys the unnamed semaphore indicated by <i>sem</i>. Only a semaphore that was created using <code>sem_init()</code> can be destroyed using <code>sem_destroy()</code>; the effect of calling <code>sem_destroy()</code> with a named semaphore is undefined. The effect of subsequent use of the semaphore <i>sem</i> is undefined until <i>sem</i> is re-initialized by another call to <code>sem_init()</code>.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>semaphore.h</code>

```
int sem_getvalue(sem_t* sem, int* value)
```

Parameters	<i>sem</i> is the semaphore identifier. <i>value</i> is the location where the semaphore value is stored.
Returns	0 on success and <i>value</i> appropriately filled in. -1 on failure and sets <i>errno</i> appropriately. The <i>errno</i> can be set to <code>EINVAL</code> if the semaphore identifier refers to an invalid semaphore.
Description	<p>The <code>sem_getvalue()</code> function updates the location referenced by the <i>sval</i> argument to have the value of the semaphore referenced by <i>sem</i> without affecting the state of the semaphore. The updated value represents an actual semaphore value that occurred at some unspecified time during the call, but it need not be the actual value of the semaphore when it is returned to the calling process.</p> <p>If <i>sem</i> is locked, then the object to which <i>sval</i> points is set to a negative number whose absolute value represents the number of processes waiting for the semaphore at some unspecified time during the call.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>semaphore.h</code>

```
int sem_wait(sem_t* sem)
```

Parameters	<i>sem</i> is the semaphore identifier.
Returns	0 on success and the semaphore in a locked state. -1 on failure and <i>errno</i> is set appropriately. The <i>errno</i> can be set to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>EINVAL</code> if the semaphore identifier is invalid. • <code>EIDRM</code> if the semaphore was forcibly removed.
Description	<p>The <code>sem_wait()</code> function locks the semaphore referenced by <i>sem</i> by performing a semaphore lock operation on that semaphore. If the semaphore value is currently zero, then the calling thread does not return from the call to <code>sem_wait()</code> until it either locks the semaphore or the semaphore is forcibly destroyed.</p> <p>Upon successful return, the state of the semaphore is locked and remains locked until the <code>sem_post()</code> function is executed and returns successfully.</p> <p>Note: When a process is unblocked within the <code>sem_wait</code> call, where it blocked due to unavailability of the semaphore, the semaphore might have been destroyed forcibly. In such a case, -1 is returned. Semaphores might be forcibly destroyed due to destroying message queues that use semaphores internally. No deadlock detection is provided.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>semaphore.h</code>

```
int sem_trywait(sem_t* sem)
```

Parameters	<i>sem</i> is the semaphore identifier.
Returns	0 on success. -1 on failure and <i>errno</i> is set appropriately. The <i>errno</i> can be set to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>EINVAL</code> if the semaphore identifier is invalid. • <code>EAGAIN</code> if the semaphore could not be locked immediately.
Description	<p>The <code>sem_trywait()</code> function locks the semaphore referenced by <i>sem</i> only if the semaphore is currently not locked; that is, if the semaphore value is currently positive. Otherwise, it does not lock the semaphore and returns -1.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>semaphore.h</code>

```
int sem_timedwait(sem_t* sem, unsigned ms)
```

Parameters *sem* is the semaphore identifier.

Returns 0 on success and the semaphore in a locked state.
 -1 on failure and *errno* is set appropriately. The *errno* can be set to:

- **EINVAL** - If the semaphore identifier does not refer to a valid semaphore.
- **ETIMEDOUT** - The semaphore could not be locked before the specified timeout expired.
- **EIDRM** - If the semaphore was forcibly removed from the system.

Description The `sem_timedwait()` function locks the semaphore referenced by *sem* by performing a semaphore lock operation on that semaphore. If the semaphore value is currently zero, then the calling thread does not return from the call to `sem_timedwait()` until one of the following conditions occurs:

- It locks the semaphore.
- The semaphore is forcibly destroyed.
- The timeout specified has elapsed.

Upon successful return, the state of the semaphore is locked and remains locked until the `sem_post()` function is executed and returns successfully.

Note: When a process is unblocked within the `sem_wait` call, where it blocked due to unavailability of the semaphore, the semaphore might have been destroyed forcibly. In such a case, -1 is returned. Semaphores may be forcibly destroyed due to destroying message queues which internally use semaphores. No deadlock detection is provided.

Note: This routine depends on software timers support being present in the kernel and is defined only if `CONFIG_TIME` is true.

Note: This routine is slightly different from the POSIX equivalent. The POSIX version specifies the timeout as absolute wall-clock time. Because there is no concept of absolute time in Xilkernel, we use relative time specified in milliseconds.

Includes `xmk.h`, `semaphore.h`

```
sem_t* sem_open(const char* name, int oflag, ...)
```

Parameters *name* points to a string naming a semaphore object.

oflag is the flag that controls the semaphore creation.

Returns A pointer to the created/existing semaphore identifier.

SEM_FAILED on failures and when *errno* is set appropriately. The *errno* can be set to:

- ENOSPC - If the system is out of resources to create a new semaphore (or mapping).
- EEXIST - if O_EXCL has been requested and the named semaphore already exists.
- EINVAL - if the parameters are invalid.

Description

The `sem_open()` function establishes a connection between a named semaphore and a process. Following a call to `sem_open()` with semaphore *name*, the process can reference the semaphore associated with *name* using the address returned from the call. This semaphore can be used in subsequent calls to `sem_wait()`, `sem_trywait()`, `sem_post()`, and `sem_close()`. The semaphore remains usable by this process until the semaphore is closed by a successful call to `sem_close()`. The *oflag* argument controls whether the semaphore is created or merely accessed by the call to `sem_open()`. The bits that can be set in *oflag* are:

◆ O_CREAT

Used to create a semaphore if it does not already exist. If O_CREAT is set and the semaphore already exists, then O_CREAT has no effect, except as noted under O_EXCL. Otherwise, `sem_open()` creates a named semaphore. O_CREAT requires a third and a fourth argument: *mode*, which is of type `mode_t`, and *value*, which is of type `unsigned`.

◆ O_EXCL

If O_EXCL and O_CREAT are set, `sem_open()` fails if the semaphore name exists. The check for the existence of the semaphore and the creation of the semaphore if it does not exist are atomic with respect to other processes executing `sem_open()` with O_EXCL and O_CREAT set. If O_EXCL is set and O_CREAT is not set, the effect is undefined.

Note: The *mode* argument is unused currently. This interface is optional and is defined only if CONFIG_NAMED_SEMA is set to TRUE.

Note: If flags other than O_CREAT and O_EXCL are specified in the *oflag* parameter, an error is signalled.

The semaphore is created with an initial value of *value*.

After the *name* semaphore has been created by `sem_open()` with the O_CREAT flag, other processes can connect to the semaphore by calling `sem_open()` with the same value of *name*.

If a process makes multiple successful calls to `sem_open()` with the same value for *name*, the same semaphore address is returned for each such successful call, assuming that there have been no calls to `sem_unlink()` for this semaphore.

Includes `xmk.h`, `semaphore.h`

```
int sem_close(sem_t* sem)
```

Parameters *sem* is the semaphore identifier.

Returns 0 on success.

-1 on failure and sets *errno* appropriately. The *errno* can be set to:

- EINVAL - If the semaphore identifier is invalid.
- ENOTSUP - If the semaphore is currently locked and/or processes are blocked on the semaphore.

Description	<p>The <code>sem_close()</code> function indicates that the calling process is finished using the named semaphore <code>sem</code>. The <code>sem_close()</code> function deallocates (that is, make available for reuse by a subsequent <code>sem_open()</code> by this process) any system resources allocated by the system for use by this process for this semaphore. The effect of subsequent use of the semaphore indicated by <code>sem</code> by this process is undefined. The name mapping for this named semaphore is also destroyed. The call fails if the semaphore is currently locked.</p> <p>Note: This interface is optional and is defined only if <code>CONFIG_NAMED_SEMA</code> is true.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>semaphore.h</code>

```
int sem_post(sem_t* sem)
```

Parameters	<code>sem</code> is the semaphore identifier.
Returns	<p>0 on success.</p> <p>-1 on failure and sets <code>errno</code> appropriately. The <code>errno</code> can be set to <code>EINVAL</code> if the semaphore identifier is invalid.</p>
Description	<p>The <code>sem_post()</code> function performs an unlock operation on the semaphore referenced by the <code>sem</code> identifier.</p> <p>If the semaphore value resulting from this operation is positive, then no threads were blocked waiting for the semaphore to become unlocked and the semaphore value is incremented.</p> <p>If the value of the semaphore resulting from this operation is zero or negative, then one of the threads blocked waiting for the semaphore is allowed to return successfully from its call to <code>sem_wait()</code>. This is either the first thread on the queue, if scheduling mode is <code>SCHED_RR</code> or, it is the highest priority thread in the queue, if scheduling mode is <code>SCHED_PRIO</code>.</p> <p>Note: If an unlink operation was requested on the semaphore, the post operation performs an unlink when no more processes are waiting on the semaphore.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>semaphore.h</code>

```
int sem_unlink(const char* name)
```

Parameters *name* is the name that refers to the semaphore.

Returns 0 on success.

-1 on failure and *errno* is set appropriately. *errno* can be set to `ENOENT` - If an entry for name cannot be located.

Description The `sem_unlink()` function removes the semaphore named by the string name. If the semaphore named by *name* has processes blocked on it, then `sem_unlink()` has no immediate effect on the state of the semaphore. The destruction of the semaphore is postponed until all blocked and locking processes relinquish the semaphore. Calls to `sem_open()` to recreate or reconnect to the semaphore refer to a new semaphore after `sem_unlink()` is called. The `sem_unlink()` call does not block until all references relinquish the semaphore; it returns immediately.

Note: If an unlink operation had been requested on the semaphore, the unlink is performed on a post operation that sees that no more processes waiting on the semaphore. This interface is optional and is defined only if `CONFIG_NAMED_SEMA` is true.

Includes `xmk.h`, `semaphore.h`

Message Queues

Xilkernel supports kernel allocated X/Open System Interface (XSI) message queues. XSI is a set of optional interfaces under POSIX. Message queues can be used as an IPC mechanism. The message queues can take in arbitrary sized messages. However, buffer memory allocation must be configured appropriately for the memory blocks required for the messages, as a part of system buffer memory allocation initialization. The number of message queue structures allocated in the kernel and the length of the message queues can be also be configured during system initialization. The message queue module is optional and can be configured in/out. Refer to “[Configuring Message Queues](#),” page 46 for more details. This module depends on the semaphore module and the dynamic buffer memory allocation module being present in the system. There is also a larger, but more powerful message queue functionality that can be configured if required. When the enhanced message queue interface is chosen, then *malloc* and *free* are used to allocate and free space for the messages. Therefore, arbitrary sized messages can be passed around without having to make sure that buffer memory allocation APIs can handle requests for arbitrary size.

Note: When using the enhanced message queue feature, you must choose your global heap size carefully, such that requests for heap memory from the message queue interfaces are satisfied without errors. You must also be aware of thread-safety issues when using `malloc()`, `free()` in your own code. You must disable interrupts and context switches before invoking the dynamic memory allocation routines. You must follow the same rules when using any other library routines that may internally use dynamic memory allocation.

Message Queue Function Summary

The following list provides a linked summary of the message queues in Xilkernel. You can click on a function to go to the description.

[int msgget\(key_t key, int msgflg\)](#)

[int msgctl\(int msqid, int cmd, struct msqid_ds* buf\)](#)

[int msgsnd\(int msqid, const void *msgp, size_t msgsz, int msgflg\)](#)

[ssize_t msgrcv\(int msqid, void *msgp, size_t nbytes, long msgtyp, int msgflg\)](#)

Message Queue Function Descriptions

The Xilkernel message queue function descriptions are as follows:

```
int msgget(key_t key, int msgflg)
```

Parameters *key* is a unique identifier for referring to the message queue.
 msgflg specifies the message queue creation options.

Returns A unique non-negative integer message queue identifier.
 -1 on failure and sets *errno* appropriately; *errno* can be set to:

- ◆ EEXIST - If a message queue identifier exists for the argument key but ((*msgflg* and IPC_CREAT) and *msgflg* & IPC_EXCL) is non-zero.
- ◆ ENOENT - A message queue identifier does not exist for the argument key and (*msgflg* & IPC_CREAT) is 0.
- ◆ ENOSPC - If the message queue resources are exhausted.

Description The `msgget ()` function returns the message queue identifier associated with the argument key. A message queue identifier, associated message queue, and data structure (see `sys/kmsg.h`), are created for the argument key if the argument key does not already have a message queue identifier associated with it, and (*msgflg* and IPC_CREAT) is non-zero.

Upon creation, the data structure associated with the new message queue identifier is initialized as follows:

- ◆ *msg_qnum*, *msg_lspid*, *msg_lrpid* are set equal to 0.
- ◆ *msg_qbytes* is set equal to the system limit (MSGQ_MAX_BYTES).

The `msgget ()` function fails if a message queue identifier exists for the argument key but ((*msgflg* and IPC_CREAT) and (*msgflg* & IPC_EXCL)) is non-zero.

IPC_PRIVATE is not supported. Also, messages in the message queue are not required to be of the form shown below. There is no support for message type based message receives and sends in this implementation.

The following is an example code snippet:

```
struct mymsg {
    long mtype; /* Message type. */
    char mtext[some_size]; /* Message text. */
}
```

Includes `xmk.h`, `sys/msg.h`, `sys/ipc.h`

```
int msgctl(int msqid, int cmd, struct msqid_ds* buf)
```

Parameters	<i>msqid</i> is the message queue identifier. <i>cmd</i> is the command. <i>buf</i> is the data buffer
Returns	0 on success. Status is returned in <i>buf</i> for <code>IPC_STAT</code> . -1 on failure and sets <code>errno</code> appropriately. The <code>errno</code> can be set to <code>EINVAL</code> if any of the following conditions occur: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>msqid</i> parameter refers to an invalid message queue.• <i>cmd</i> is invalid.• <i>buf</i> contains invalid parameters.
Description	The <code>msgctl()</code> function provides message control operations as specified by <i>cmd</i> . The values for <i>cmd</i> , and the message control operations they specify, are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <code>IPC_STAT</code> - Places the current value of each member of the <code>msqid_ds</code> data structure associated with <i>msqid</i> into the structure pointed to by <i>buf</i>. The contents of this structure are defined in <code>sys/msg.h</code>.• <code>IPC_SET</code> - Unsupported.• <code>IPC_RMID</code> - Removes the message queue identifier specified by <i>msqid</i> from the system and destroys the message queue and associated <code>msqid_ds</code> data structure. The remove operation forcibly destroys the semaphores used internally and unblocks processes that are blocked on the semaphore. It also deallocates memory allocated for the messages in the queue.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>sys/msg.h</code> , <code>sys/ipc.h</code>

```
int msgsnd(int msqid, const void *msgp, size_t msgsz, int
           msgflg)
```

Parameters	<p><i>msqid</i> is the message queue identifier.</p> <p><i>msgp</i> is a pointer to the message buffer.</p> <p><i>msgsz</i> is the size of the message.</p> <p><i>msgflg</i> is used to specify message send options.</p>
Returns	<p>0 on success.</p> <p>-1 on failure and sets <i>errno</i> appropriately. The <i>errno</i> can be set to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EINVAL - The value of <i>msqid</i> is not a valid message queue identifier. • ENOSPC - The system could not allocate space for the message. • EIDRM - The message queue was removed from the system during the send operation.
Description	<p>The <code>msgsnd()</code> function sends a message to the queue associated with the message queue identifier specified by <i>msqid</i>.</p> <p>The argument <i>msgflg</i> specifies the action to be taken if the message queue is full:</p> <p>If (<i>msgflg</i> and <code>IPC_NOWAIT</code>) is non-zero, the message is not sent and the calling thread returns immediately.</p> <p>If (<i>msgflg</i> and <code>IPC_NOWAIT</code>) is 0, the calling thread suspends execution until one of the following occurs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The condition responsible for the suspension no longer exists, in which case the message is sent. • The message queue identifier <i>msqid</i> is removed from the system; when this occurs a -1 is returned. <p>The send fails if it is unable to allocate memory to store the message inside the kernel. On a successful send operation, the <i>msg_lspid</i> and <i>msg_qnum</i> members of the message queues are appropriately set.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>sys/msg.h</code> , <code>sys/ipc.h</code>

```
ssize_t msgrcv(int msqid, void *msgp, size_t nbytes, long
               msgtyp, int msgflg)
```

Parameters	<p><i>msqid</i> is the message queue identifier.</p> <p><i>msgp</i> is the buffer where the received message is to be copied.</p> <p><i>nbytes</i> specifies the size of the message that the buffer can hold.</p> <p><i>msgtyp</i> is currently unsupported.</p> <p><i>msgflg</i> is used to control the message receive operation.</p>
Returns	<p>On success, stores received message in user buffer and returns number of bytes of data received.</p> <p>-1 on failure and sets <i>errno</i> appropriately. The <i>errno</i> can be set to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EINVAL - If <i>msqid</i> is not a valid message queue identifier. • EIDRM - If the message queue was removed from the system. • ENOMSG - <i>msgsz</i> is smaller than the size of the message in the queue.
Description	<p>The <code>msgrcv()</code> function reads a message from the queue associated with the message queue identifier specified by <i>msqid</i> and places it in the user-defined buffer pointed to by <i>msgp</i>.</p> <p>The argument <i>msgsz</i> specifies the size in bytes of the message. The received message is truncated to <i>msgsz</i> bytes if it is larger than <i>msgsz</i> and (<i>msgflg</i> and MSG_NOERROR) is non-zero. The truncated part of the message is lost and no indication of the truncation is given to the calling process. If MSG_NOERROR is not specified and the received message is larger than <i>nbytes</i>, then a -1 is returned signalling error.</p> <p>The argument <i>msgflg</i> specifies the action to be taken if a message is not on the queue. These are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If (<i>msgflg</i> and IPC_NOWAIT) is non-zero, the calling thread returns immediately with a return value of -1. • If (<i>msgflg</i> and IPC_NOWAIT) is 0, the calling thread suspends execution until one of the following occurs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ A message is placed on the queue ♦ The message queue identifier <i>msqid</i> is removed from the system; when this occurs -1 is returned <p>Upon successful completion, the following actions are taken with respect to the data structure associated with <i>msqid</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>msg_qnum</i> is decremented by 1. • <i>msg_lrpId</i> is set equal to the process ID of the calling process.
Includes	<p>xmk.h, sys/msg.h, sys/ipc.h</p>

Shared Memory

Xilkernel supports kernel-allocated XSI shared memory. XSI is the X/Open System Interface which is a set of optional interfaces under POSIX. Shared memory is a common, low-latency IPC mechanism. Shared memory blocks required during run-time must be identified and specified during the system configuration. From this specification, buffer memory is allocated to each shared memory region. Shared memory is currently not allocated dynamically at run-time. This module is optional and can be configured in or out during system specification. Refer to [“Configuring Shared Memory,” page 47](#) for more details.

Shared Memory Function Summary

The following list provides a linked summary of the shared memory functions in Xilkernel. You can click on a function to go to the description.

```
int shmget\(key\_t key, size\_t size, int shmflg\)  
int shmctl\(int shmid, int cmd, struct shmid\_ds \*buf\)  
void\* shmat\(int shmid, const void \*shmaddr, int flag\)  
int shm\_dt\(void \*shmaddr\)
```

Shared Memory Function Descriptions

The Xilkernel shared memory interface is described below.

Caution! The memory buffers allocated by the shared memory API might not be aligned at word boundaries. Therefore, structures should not be arbitrarily mapped to shared memory segments, without checking if alignment requirements are met.

int shmget (key_t key, size_t size, int shmflg)	
Parameters	<p><i>key</i> is used to uniquely identify the shared memory region.</p> <p><i>size</i> is the requested size of the shared memory segment.</p> <p><i>shmflg</i> specifies segment creation options.</p>
Returns	<p>Unique non-negative shared memory identifier on success.</p> <p>-1 on failure and sets <i>errno</i> appropriately: <i>errno</i> can be set to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ EEXIST - A shared memory identifier exists for the argument <i>key</i> but (<i>shmflg</i> and IPC_CREAT) and (<i>shmflg</i> and IPC_EXCL) is non-zero. ♦ ENOTSUP - Unsupported <i>shmflg</i>. ♦ ENOENT - A shared memory identifier does not exist for the argument <i>key</i> and (<i>shmflg</i> and IPC_CREAT) is 0.
Description	<p>The <code>shmget()</code> function returns the shared memory identifier associated with <i>key</i>. A shared memory identifier, associated data structure, and shared memory segment of at least <i>size</i> bytes (see <code>sys/shm.h</code>) are created for <i>key</i> if one of the following is true:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ <i>key</i> is equal to IPC_PRIVATE. ♦ <i>key</i> does not already have a shared memory identifier associated with it and (<i>shmflg</i> and IPC_CREAT) is non-zero. <p>Upon creation, the data structure associated with the new shared memory identifier shall be initialized. The value of <i>shm_segsz</i> is set equal to the value of <i>size</i>. The values of <i>shm_lpid</i>, <i>shm_nattch</i>, <i>shm_cpid</i> are all initialized appropriately. When the shared memory segment is created, it is initialized with all zero values. At least one of the shared memory segments available in the system must match <i>exactly</i> the requested size for the call to succeed. Key IPC_PRIVATE is not supported.</p>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>sys/shm.h</code> , <code>sys/ipc.h</code>

int shmctl (int shmid, int cmd, struct shmid_ds *buf)	
Parameters	<p><i>shmid</i> is the shared memory segment identifier.</p> <p><i>cmd</i> is the command to the control function.</p> <p><i>buf</i> is the buffer where the status is returned.</p>
Returns	<p>0 on success. Status is returned in buffer for IPC_STAT.</p> <p>-1 on failure and sets <i>errno</i> appropriately: <i>errno</i> can be set to EINVAL on the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • if <i>shmid</i> refers to an invalid shared memory segment. • if <i>cmd</i> or other params are invalid.
Description	<p>The <code>shmctl()</code> function provides a variety of shared memory control operations as specified by <i>cmd</i>. The following values for <i>cmd</i> are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IPC_STAT: places the current value of each member of the <i>shmid_ds</i> data structure associated with <i>shmid</i> into the structure pointed to by <i>buf</i>. The contents of the structure are defined in <code>sys/shm.h</code>. • IPC_SET is not supported. • IPC_RMID: removes the shared memory identifier specified by <i>shmid</i> from the system and destroys the shared memory segment and <i>shmid_ds</i> data structure associated with it. No notification is sent to processes still attached to the segment.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>sys/shm.h</code> , <code>sys/ipc.h</code>

```
void* shmat(int shmid, const void *shmaddr, int flag)
```

Parameters	<p><i>shmid</i> is the shared memory segment identifier.</p> <p><i>shmaddr</i> is used to specify the location, to attach shared memory segment. This is currently unused.</p> <p><i>flag</i> is used to specify shared memory (SHM) attach options.</p>
Returns	<p>The start address of the shared memory segment on success.</p> <p>NULL on failure and sets <i>errno</i> appropriately. <i>errno</i> can be set to EINVAL if <i>shmid</i> refers to an invalid shared memory segment</p>
Description	<p><i>shmat</i>() increments the value of <i>shm_nattch</i> in the data structure associated with the shared memory ID of the attached shared memory segment and returns the start address of the segment. <i>shm_lpid</i> is also appropriately set.</p> <p>Note: <i>shmaddr</i> and <i>flag</i> arguments are not used.</p>
Includes	<i>xmk.h</i> , <i>sys/shm.h</i> , <i>sys/ipc.h</i>

```
int shm_dt(void *shmaddr)
```

Parameters	<i>shmaddr</i> is the shared memory segment address that is to be detached.
Returns	<p>0 on success.</p> <p>-1 on failure and sets <i>errno</i> appropriately. The <i>errno</i> can be set to EINVAL if <i>shmaddr</i> is not within any of the available shared memory segments.</p>
Description	The <i>shm_dt</i> () function detaches the shared memory segment located at the address specified by <i>shmaddr</i> from the address space of the calling process. The value of <i>shm_nattch</i> is also decremented. The memory segment is not removed from the system and can be attached to again.
Includes	<i>xmk.h</i> , <i>sys/shm.h</i> , <i>sys/ipc.h</i>

Mutex Locks

Xilkernel provides support for kernel allocated POSIX thread mutex locks. This synchronization mechanism can be used alongside of the *pthread_* API. The number of mutex locks and the length of the mutex lock wait queue can be configured during system specification. PTHREAD_MUTEX_DEFAULT and PTHREAD_MUTEX_RECURSIVE type mutex locks are supported. This module is also optional and can be configured in or out during system specification. Refer to “Configuring Shared Memory,” page 47 for more details.

Mutex Lock Function Summary

The following list provides a linked summary of the Mutex locks in Xilkernel. You can click on a function to go to the description.

[int pthread_mutex_init\(pthread_mutex_t* mutex, const pthread_mutexattr_t* attr\)](#)
[int pthread_mutex_destroy\(pthread_mutex_t* mutex\)](#)
[int pthread_mutex_lock\(pthread_mutex_t* mutex\)](#)
[int pthread_mutex_trylock\(pthread_mutex_t* mutex\)](#)
[int pthread_mutex_unlock\(pthread_mutex_t* mutex\)](#)
[int pthread_mutexattr_init\(pthread_mutexattr_t* attr\)](#)
[int pthread_mutexattr_destroy\(pthread_mutexattr_t* attr\)](#)
[int pthread_mutexattr_settype\(pthread_mutexattr_t* attr, int type\)](#)
[int pthread_mutexattr_gettype\(pthread_mutexattr_t* attr, int *type\)](#)

Mutex Lock Function Descriptions

The Mutex lock function descriptions are as follows:

```
int pthread_mutex_init(pthread_mutex_t* mutex, const
    pthread_mutexattr_t* attr)
```

Parameters	<p><i>mutex</i> is the location where the newly created mutex lock's identifier is to be stored.</p> <p><i>attr</i> is the mutex creation attributes structure.</p>
Returns	<p>0 on success and mutex identifier in <i>*mutex</i>.</p> <p>EAGAIN if system is out of resources.</p>
Description	<p>The <code>pthread_mutex_init()</code> function initializes the mutex referenced by <i>mutex</i> with attributes specified by <i>attr</i>. If <i>attr</i> is NULL, the default mutex attributes are used; the effect is the same as passing the address of a default mutex attributes object.</p> <p>Refer to the <code>pthread_mutexattr_</code> routines, which are documented starting on page 32 to determine what kind of mutex creation attributes can be changed. Upon successful initialization, the state of the mutex becomes initialized and unlocked. Only the mutex itself can be used for performing synchronization. The result of referring to copies of mutex in calls to <code>pthread_mutex_lock()</code>, <code>pthread_mutex_trylock()</code>, <code>pthread_mutex_unlock()</code>, and <code>pthread_mutex_destroy()</code> is undefined.</p> <p>Attempting to initialize an already initialized mutex results in undefined behavior. In cases where default mutex attributes are appropriate, the macro <code>PTHREAD_MUTEX_INITIALIZER</code> can be used to initialize mutexes that are statically allocated. The effect is equivalent to dynamic initialization by a call to <code>pthread_mutex_init()</code> with parameter <i>attr</i> specified as NULL, with the exception that no error checks are performed.</p> <p>For example:</p> <pre>static pthread_mutex_t foo_mutex = PTHREAD_MUTEX_INITIALIZER;</pre>
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

Note: The mutex locks allocated by Xilkernel follow the semantics of `PTHREAD_MUTEX_DEFAULT` mutex locks by default. The following actions will result in undefined behavior:

- Attempting to recursively lock the mutex.
- Attempting to unlock the mutex if it was not locked by the calling thread.
- Attempting to unlock the mutex if it is not locked.


```
int pthread_mutex_destroy(pthread_mutex_t* mutex)
```

Parameters	<i>mutex</i> is the mutex identifier.
Returns	0 on success. EINVAL if <i>mutex</i> refers to an invalid identifier.
Description	The <code>pthread_mutex_destroy()</code> function destroys the mutex object referenced by <i>mutex</i> ; the mutex object becomes, in effect, uninitialized. A destroyed mutex object can be reinitialized using <code>pthread_mutex_init()</code> ; the results of otherwise referencing the object after it has been destroyed are undefined. Note: Mutex lock/unlock state disregarded during destroy. No consideration is given for waiting processes.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_mutex_lock(pthread_mutex_t* mutex)
```

Parameters	<i>mutex</i> is the mutex identifier.
Returns	0 on success and mutex in a locked state. EINVAL on invalid <i>mutex</i> reference. -1 on unhandled errors.
Description	The mutex object referenced by <i>mutex</i> is locked by the thread calling <code>pthread_mutex_lock()</code> . If the mutex is already locked, the calling thread blocks until the mutex becomes available. If the mutex type is <code>PTHREAD_MUTEX_RECURSIVE</code> , then the mutex maintains the concept of a lock count. When a thread successfully acquires a mutex for the first time, the lock count is set to one. Every time a thread relocks this mutex, the lock count is incremented by one. Each time the thread unlocks the mutex, the lock count is decremented by one. If the mutex type is <code>PTHREAD_MUTEX_DEFAULT</code> , attempting to recursively lock the mutex results in undefined behavior. If successful, this operation returns with the mutex object referenced by <i>mutex</i> in the locked state.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_mutex_trylock(pthread_mutex_t* mutex)
```

Parameters	<i>mutex</i> is the mutex identifier.
Returns	0 on success. <i>mutex</i> in a locked state. EINVAL on invalid <i>mutex</i> reference, EBUSY if <i>mutex</i> is already locked. -1 on unhandled errors.
Description	<p>The mutex object referenced by <i>mutex</i> is locked by the thread calling <code>pthread_mutex_trylock()</code>. If the mutex is already locked, the calling thread returns immediately with EBUSY.</p> <p>If the mutex type is PTHREAD_MUTEX_RECURSIVE, then the mutex maintains the concept of a lock count.</p> <p>When a thread successfully acquires a mutex for the first time, the lock count is set to one.</p> <p>Every time a thread relocks this mutex, the lock count is incremented by one. Each time the thread unlocks the mutex, the lock count is decremented by one.</p> <p>If the mutex type is PTHREAD_MUTEX_DEFAULT, attempting to recursively lock the mutex results in undefined behavior. If successful, this operation returns with the mutex object referenced by <i>mutex</i> in the locked state.</p>
Includes	xmk.h, pthread.h

```
int pthread_mutex_unlock(pthread_mutex_t* mutex)
```

Parameters	<i>mutex</i> is the mutex identifier.
Returns	0 on success, EINVAL on invalid mutex reference. -1 on undefined errors.
Description	<p>The <code>pthread_mutex_unlock()</code> function releases the mutex object referenced by <i>mutex</i>. If there are threads blocked on the mutex object referenced by <i>mutex</i> when <code>pthread_mutex_unlock()</code> is called, resulting in the mutex becoming available, the scheduling policy determines which thread will acquire the mutex. If it is SCHED_RR, then the thread that is at the head of the mutex wait queue is unblocked and allowed to lock the mutex.</p> <p>If the mutex type is PTHREAD_MUTEX_RECURSIVE, the mutex maintains the concept of a lock count. When the lock count reaches zero, the mutex becomes available for other threads to acquire. If a thread attempts to unlock a mutex that it has not locked or a mutex which is unlocked, an error is returned.</p> <p>If the mutex type is PTHREAD_MUTEX_DEFAULT the following actions result in undefined behavior:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attempting to unlock the mutex if it was not locked by the calling thread. • Attempting to unlock the mutex if it is not locked. <p>If successful, this operation returns with the mutex object referenced by <i>mutex</i> in the unlocked state.</p>
Includes	xmk.h, pthread.h

```
int pthread_mutexattr_init(pthread_mutexattr_t* attr)
```

Parameters	<i>attr</i> is the location of the attributes structure.
Returns	0 on success. EINVAL if <i>attr</i> refers to an invalid location.
Description	The <code>pthread_mutexattr_init()</code> function initializes a mutex attributes object <i>attr</i> with the default value for all of the attributes defined by the implementation. Refer to <code>sys/types.h</code> for the contents of the <code>pthread_mutexattr</code> structure. Note: This routine does not involve a call into the kernel.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_mutexattr_destroy(pthread_mutexattr_t* attr)
```

Parameters	<i>attr</i> is the location of the attributes structure.
Returns	0 on success. EINVAL if <i>attr</i> refers to an invalid location.
Description	The <code>pthread_mutexattr_destroy()</code> function destroys a mutex attributes object; the object becomes, in effect, uninitialized. Note: This routine does not involve a call into the kernel.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_mutexattr_settype(pthread_mutexattr_t* attr,
                             int type)
```

Parameters	<i>attr</i> is the location of the attributes structure. <i>type</i> is the type to which to set the mutex.
Returns	0 on success. EINVAL if <i>attr</i> refers to an invalid location or if <i>type</i> is an unsupported type.
Description	The <code>pthread_mutexattr_settype()</code> function sets the type of a mutex in a mutex attributes structure to the specified type. Only <code>PTHREAD_MUTEX_DEFAULT</code> and <code>PTHREAD_MUTEX_RECURSIVE</code> are supported. Note: This routine does not involve a call into the kernel.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

```
int pthread_mutexattr_gettype(pthread_mutexattr_t* attr,
    int *type)
```

Parameters	<i>attr</i> is the location of the attributes structure. <i>type</i> is a pointer to the location at which to store the mutex.
Returns	0 on success. EINVAL if <i>attr</i> refers to an invalid location.
Description	The <code>pthread_mutexattr_gettype()</code> function gets the type of a mutex in a mutex attributes structure and stores it in the location pointed to by <i>type</i> .
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>pthread.h</code>

Dynamic Buffer Memory Management

The kernel provides a buffer memory allocation scheme, which can be used by applications that need dynamic memory allocation. These interfaces are alternatives to the standard C memory allocation routines - `malloc()`, `free()` which are much slower and bigger, though more powerful. The allocation routines hand off pieces of memory from a pool of memory that the user passes to the buffer memory manager.

The buffer memory manager manages the pool of memory. You can dynamically create new pools of memory. You can also statically specify the different memory blocks sizes and number of such memory blocks required for your applications. Refer to “[Configuring Buffer Memory Allocation](#),” page 47 for more details. This method of buffer management is relatively simple, small and a fast way of allocating memory. The following are the buffer memory allocation interfaces. This module is optional and can be included during system initialization.

Dynamic Buffer Memory Management Function Summary

The following list provides a linked summary of the dynamic buffer memory management functions in Xilkernel. You can click on a function to go to the description.

[int bufcreate\(membuf_t *mbuf, void *memptr, int nblks, size_t blksiz\)](#)
[int bufdestroy\(membuf_t mbuf\)](#)
[void* bufmalloc\(membuf_t mbuf, size_t siz\)](#)
[void buf.free\(membuf_t mbuf, void* mem\)](#)

Caution! The buffer memory allocation API internally uses the memory pool handed down the by the user to store a free-list in-place within the memory pool. As a result, only memory sizes greater than or equal to 4 bytes long are supported by the buffer memory allocation APIs. Also, because there is a free-list being built in-place within the memory pool, requests in which memory block sizes are not multiples of 4 bytes cause unalignment at run time. If your software platform can handle unalignment natively or through exceptions then this does not present an issue. The memory buffers allocated and returned by the buffer memory allocation API might also not be aligned at word boundaries. Therefore, your application should not arbitrarily map structures to memory allocated in this way without first checking if alignment and padding requirements are met.

Dynamic Buffer Memory Management Function Descriptions

The dynamic buffer memory management function descriptions are as follows:

```
int bufcreate(membuf_t *mbuf, void *memptr, int nblks,
               size_t blksiz)
```

Parameters	<p><i>mbuf</i> is location at which to store the identifier of the memory pool created.</p> <p><i>memptr</i> is the pool of memory to use.</p> <p><i>nblks</i> is the number of memory blocks that this pool should support.</p> <p><i>blksiz</i> is the size of each memory block in bytes.</p>
Returns	<p>0 on success and stores the identifier of the created memory pool in the location pointed to by <i>mbuf</i>.</p> <p>-1 on errors.</p>
Description	<p>Creates a memory pool out of the memory block specified in <i>memptr</i>. <i>nblks</i> number of chunks of memory are defined within the pool, each of size <i>blksiz</i>. Therefore, <i>memptr</i> must point to at least $(nblks * blksiz)$ bytes of memory. <i>blksiz</i> must be greater than or equal to 4.</p>
Includes	<p>xmk.h, sys/bufmalloc.h</p>

```
int bufdestroy(membuf_t mbuf)
```

Parameters	<p><i>mbuf</i> is the identifier of the memory pool to destroy.</p>
Returns	<p>0 on success.</p> <p>-1 on errors.</p>
Description	<p>This routine destroys the memory pool identified by <i>mbuf</i>.</p>
Includes	<p>xmk.h, sys/bufmalloc.h</p>

```
void* bufmalloc(membuf_t mbuf, size_t siz)
```

Parameters	<p><i>mbuf</i> is the identifier of the memory pool from which to allocate memory.</p> <p><i>size</i> is the size of memory block requested.</p>
Returns	<p>The start address of the memory block on success.</p> <p>NULL on failure and sets <i>errno</i> appropriately: <i>errno</i> is set to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EINVAL if <i>mbuf</i> refers to an invalid memory buffer. • EAGAIN if the request cannot be satisfied.
Description	<p>Allocate a chunk of memory from the memory pool specified by <i>mbuf</i>. If <i>mbuf</i> is MEMBUF_ANY, then all available memory pools are searched for the request and the first pool that has a free block of size <i>siz</i>, is used and allocated from.</p>
Includes	<p>xmk.h, sys/bufmalloc.h</p>

```
void buffree(membuf_t mbuf, void* mem)
```

Parameters	<i>mbuf</i> is the identifier of the memory pool. <i>mem</i> is the address of the memory block.
Returns	None.
Description	Frees the memory allocated by a corresponding call to <i>bufmalloc</i> . If <i>mbuf</i> is MEMBUF_ANY, returns the memory to the pool that satisfied this request. If not, returns the memory to specified pool. Behavior is undefined if arbitrary values are specified for <i>mem</i> .
Includes	xmk.h, sys/bufmalloc.h

Software Timers

Xilkernel provides software timer functionality, for time relating processing. This module is optional and can be configured in or out. Refer to [“Configuring Software Timers,” page 48](#) for more information on customizing this module.

The following list provides a linked summary of the interfaces are available with the software timers module. You can click on a function to go to the description.

[unsigned int xget_clock_ticks\(\)](#)

```
unsigned int xget_clock_ticks( )
```

Parameters	None.
Returns	Number of kernel ticks elapsed since the kernel was started.
Description	A single tick is counted, every time the kernel timer delivers an interrupt. This is stored in a 32-bit integer and eventually overflows. The call to <i>xget_clock_ticks()</i> returns this tick information, without conveying the overflows that have occurred.
Includes	xmk.h, sys/timer.h

```
time_t time(time_t *timer)
```

Parameters	<i>timer</i> points to the memory location in which to store the requested time information.
Returns	Number of seconds elapsed since the kernel was started.
Description	The routine time elapsed since kernel start in units of seconds. This is also subject to overflow.
Includes	xmk.h, sys/timer.h

unsigned **sleep**(unsigned int *ms*)

Parameters *ms* is the number of milliseconds to sleep.

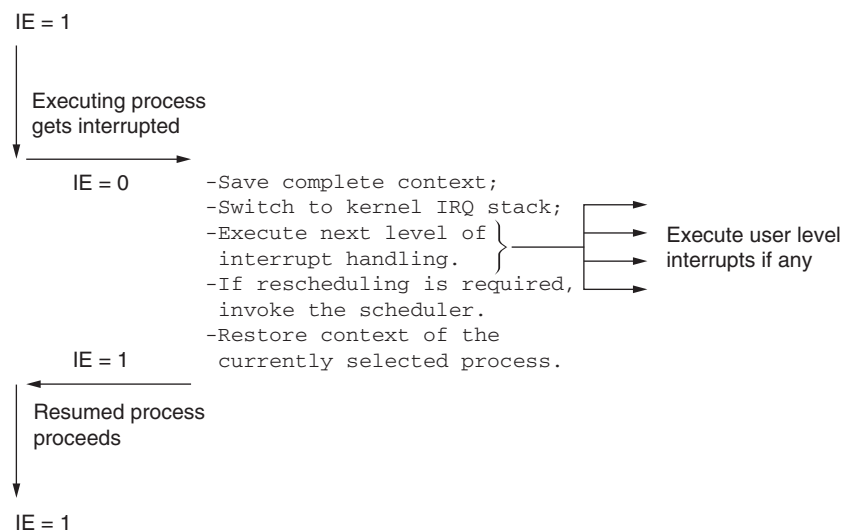
Returns Number of seconds between sleeps.
0 on complete success.

Description This routine causes the invoking process to enter a sleep state for the specified number of milliseconds.

Includes *xmk.h*, *sys/timer.h*

Interrupt Handling

Xilkernel abstracts away primary interrupt handling requirements from the user application. Even though the kernel is functional without any interrupts, the system only makes sense when it is driven by at least one timer interrupt for scheduling. The kernel handles the main timer interrupt, using it as the kernel tick to perform scheduling. The timer interrupt is initialized and tied to the vectoring code during system initialization. This kernel pulse provides software timer facilities and time-related routines also. Additionally, Xilkernel can handle multiple interrupts when connected through an interrupt controller, and works with the *axi_intc* interrupt controller core. The following figure shows a basic interrupt service in Xilkernel.



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Figure 5: Basic Interrupt Service in Xilkernel

The interrupt handling scenario is illustrated in this diagram. Upon an interrupt:

- The context of the currently executing process is saved into the context save area.
- Interrupts are disabled from this point in time onwards, until they are enabled at the end of interrupt handling.
- This alleviates the stack burden of the process, as the execution within interrupt, does not use the user application stack.
- This interrupt context can be thought of as a special kernel thread that executes interrupt handlers in order. This thread starts to use its own separate execution stack space.
- The separate kernel execution stack is at-least 1 KB in size to enable it to handle deep levels of nesting within interrupt handlers. This kernel stack is also automatically configured to use the pthread stack size chosen by the user, if it is larger than 1 KB. If you foresee a large stack usage within your interrupt handlers, you will need to specify a large value for *pthread_stack_size*.

This ends the first level of interrupt handling by the kernel. At this point, the kernel transfers control to the second level interrupt handler. This is the main interrupt handler routine of the

interrupt controller. From this point, the handler for the interrupt controller invokes the user-specified interrupt handlers for the various interrupting peripherals.

In MicroBlaze processor kernels, if the system timer is connected through the interrupt controller, then the kernel invisibly handles the main timer interrupt (kernel tick), by registering itself as the handler for that interrupt.

Interrupt handlers can perform any kind of required interrupt handling action, including making system calls. However, the handlers must never invoke blocking system calls, or the entire kernel is blocked and the system comes to a suspended state. Use handlers wisely to do minimum processing upon interrupts.

Caution! User level interrupt handlers must not make blocking system calls. System calls made, if any, should be non-blocking.

After the user-level interrupt handlers are serviced, the first-level interrupt handler in the kernel gets control again. It determines if the preceding interrupt handling caused a rescheduling requirement in the kernel.

If there is such a requirement, it invokes the kernel scheduler and performs the appropriate rescheduling. After the scheduler has determined the next process to execute, the context of the new process is restored and interrupts are enabled again.

When Xilkernel is used with multiple-interrupts in the system, the Xilkernel user-level interrupt handling API becomes available. The following subsection lists user-level interrupt handling APIs.

User-Level Interrupt Handling APIs

User-Level Interrupt Handling APIs Function Summary

The following list provides a linked summary of the user-level interrupt handling APIs in Xilkernel. You can click on a function to go to the description.

[unsigned int register_int_handler\(int_id_t id, void *handler\)\(void*\), void *callback](#)
[void unregister_int_handler\(int_id_t id\)](#)
[void enable_interrupt\(int_id_t id\)](#)
[void disable_interrupt\(int_id_t id\)](#)
[void acknowledge_interrupt\(int_id_t id\)](#)

User-Level Interrupt Handling APIs Function Descriptions

The interrupt handlings API descriptions are as follows:

```
unsigned int register_int_handler(int_id_t id, void
    *handler)(void*), void *callback)
```

Parameters	<i>id</i> is the zero-based numeric id of the interrupt. <i>handler</i> is the user-level handler. <i>callback</i> is a callback value that can be delivered to the user-level handler.
Returns	XST_SUCCESS on success. error codes defined in <code>xstatus.h</code> .
Description	The <code>register_int_handler()</code> function registers the specified user level interrupt handler as the handler for a specified interrupt. The user level routine is invoked asynchronously upon being serviced by an interrupt controller in the system. The routine returns an error on MicroBlaze processor systems if <i>id</i> is the identifier for the system timer interrupt. PowerPC processor systems have a dedicated hardware timer interrupt that exists separately from the other interrupts in the system. Therefore, this check is not performed for a PowerPC processor system.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>sys/intr.h</code>

```
void unregister_int_handler(int_id_t id)
```

Parameters	<i>id</i> is the zero-based numeric id of the interrupt.
Returns	None.
Description	The <code>unregister_int_handler()</code> function unregisters the registered user-level interrupt handler as the handler for the specified interrupt. The routine does nothing and fails silently on MicroBlaze processor systems if <i>id</i> is the identifier for the system timer interrupt.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>sys/intr.h</code>

```
void enable_interrupt(int_id_t id)
```

Parameters *id* is the zero-based numeric id of the interrupt.

Returns None.

Description The `enable_interrupt()` function enables the specified interrupt in the interrupt controller. The routine does nothing and fails silently on MicroBlaze processor systems, if *id* is the identifier for the system timer interrupt.

Includes `xmk.h, sys/intr.h`

```
void disable_interrupt(int_id_t id)
```

Parameters *id* is the zero-based numeric id of the interrupt.

Returns None.

Description The `disable_interrupt()` function disables the specified interrupt in the interrupt controller. The routine does nothing and fails silently on MicroBlaze processor systems if *id* is the identifier for the system timer interrupt.

Includes `xmk.h, sys/intr.h`

```
void acknowledge_interrupt(int_id_t id)
```

Parameters *id* is the zero-based numeric identifier of the interrupt.

Returns None.

Description The `acknowledge_interrupt()` function acknowledges handling the specified interrupt to the interrupt controller. The routine does nothing and fails silently on MicroBlaze processor systems if *id* is the identifier for the system timer interrupt.

Includes `xmk.h, sys/intr.h`

Exception Handling

Xilkernel handles exceptions for the MicroBlaze processor, treating them as faulting conditions by the executing processes/threads. Xilkernel kills the faulting process and reports using a message to the console (if verbose mode is on) as to the nature of the exception. You cannot register your own handlers for these exceptions and Xilkernel handles them all natively.

Xilkernel does *not* handle exceptions for the PowerPC processor. The exception handling API and model that is available for the Standalone platform is available for Xilkernel. You might want to register handlers or set breakpoints (during debug) for exceptions that are of interest to you.

Memory Protection

Memory protection is an extremely useful feature that can increase the robustness, reliability, and fault tolerance of your Xilkernel-based application. Memory protection requires support from the hardware. Xilkernel is designed to make use of the MicroBlaze Memory Management (Protection) Unit (MMU) features when available. This allows you to build fail-safe applications that each run within the valid sandbox of the system, as determined by the executable file and available I/O devices.

Note: Full virtual memory management is not supported by Xilkernel. Even when a full MMU is available on a MicroBlaze processor, only transparent memory translations are used, and there is no concept of demand paging.

Note: Xilkernel does not support the Memory Protection feature on PowerPC processors.

Memory Protection Overview

When the MicroBlaze parameter `C_USE_MMU` is set to `>=2`, the kernel configures in memory protection during startup automatically.

Note: To disable the memory protection in the kernel, add the compiler flag `-D XILKERNEL_MB_MPU_DISABLE`, to your library and application build.

The kernel identifies three types of protection violations:

1. **Code violation** — occurs when a thread tries to execute from memory that is not defined to contain program instructions.
Note: Because Xilkernel is a single executable, all threads have access to all program instructions and the kernel cannot trap violations where a thread starts executing the kernel code directly.
2. **Data access violation** — Occurs when a thread tries to read or write data to or from memory that is not defined to be a part of the program data space. Similarly, read-only data segments can be protected by write access by all threads.
Note: Because Xilkernel is a single executable, all threads have equal access to all data as well as the kernel data structures. The kernel cannot trap violations where a thread accesses data that it is not designated to handle.
3. **I / O violation** — occurs when a thread tries to read or write from memory-mapped peripheral I / O space that is not present in the system.

Xilkernel attempts to determine these three conceptual protection areas in your program and system during system build and kernel boot time automatically. The kernel attempts to identify code and data labels that demarcate code and data sections in your executable ELF file. These labels are typically provided by linker scripts.

For example, MicroBlaze linker scripts use the labels `_ftext` and `_etext` to indicate the beginning and the end of the `.text` section respectively.

The following table summarizes the logical sections that must be present in the linker script, the requirements on the alignment of each section, and the demarcating labels.

Table 1: Linker Script Logical Sections

Section	Start Label	End Label	Description
<code>.text</code>	<code>_ftext</code>	<code>_etext</code>	Executable instruction sections
<code>.data</code>	<code>_fdata</code>	<code>_edata</code>	Read-write data sections including small data sections
<code>.rodata</code>	<code>_frodata</code>	<code>_erodata</code>	Read only data sections including small data sections
<code>.stack</code>	<code>_stack_end</code>	<code>_stack</code>	Kernel stack with 1 KB guard page above and below
stack guard page (top)	<code>_fstack_guard_top</code>	<code>_estack_guard_top</code>	Top kernel stack guard page (1 KB)
stack guard page (bottom)	<code>_fstack_guard_bottom</code>	<code>_estack_guard_bottom</code>	Bottom kernel stack guard page (1 KB)

Each section must be aligned at 1 KB boundary and clearly demarcated by the specified labels. Otherwise, Xilkernel will ignore the missing logical sections with no error or warning message.

Caution! This behavior could manifest itself in your software not working as expected, because MPU translation entries will be missing for important ELF sections and the processor will treat valid requests as invalid.

Note: Each section typically has a specific type of data that is expected to be present. If the logic of the data inserted into the sections by your linker script is inappropriate, then the protection offered by the kernel could be incorrect or the level of protection could be diluted.

I/O ranges are automatically enumerated by the library generation tools and provided as a data structure to the kernel. These peripheral I/O ranges will not include read/write memory areas because the access controls for memory are determined automatically from the ELF file. During kernel boot, the enumerated I/O ranges are marked as readable and writable by the threads. Accesses outside of the defined I/O ranges causes a protection fault.

User-specified Protection

In addition to the automatic inference and protection region setup done by the kernel, you can provide your own protection regions by providing the data structures as shown in the following example. If this feature is not required, these data structures can be removed from the application code.

```
#include <mpu.h>

int user_io_nranges = 2;
xilkernel_io_range_t user_io_range[1] = {{0x25004000, 0x25004fff,
MPU_PROT_READWRITE},
{0x44000000, 0x44001fff, MPU_PROT_NONE}};
```

The `xilkernel_io_ranges_t` type is defined as follows:

```
typedef struct xilkernel_io_range_s {
    unsigned int baseaddr;
    unsigned int highaddr;
    unsigned int flags;
} xilkernel_io_range_t;
```

The following table lists the valid field flags that identify the user-specified access protection options:

Table 2: Access Protection Field Flags

Field Flag	Description
MPU_PROT_EXEC	Executable program instructions (no read or write permissions)
MPU_PROT_READWRITE	Readable and writable data sections (no execute permissions)
MPU_PROT_READ	Read-only data sections (no write/execute permissions)
MPU_PROT_NONE	(Currently no page can be protected from all three accesses at the same time. This field flag is equivalent to MPU_PROT_READ)

Fixed Unified Translation Look-aside Buffer (TLB) Support on the MicroBlaze Processor

The MicroBlaze processor has a fixed 64-entry Unified Translation Look-aside Buffer (TLB). Xilkernel can support up to this maximum number of TLBs only. If the maximum TLBs to enable protection for a given region are exceeded, Xilkernel will report an error during Microprocessor Unit (MPU) initialization and proceed to boot the kernel without memory protection. There is no support for dynamically swapping TLB management to provide an arbitrary number of protection regions.

Other Interfaces

Internally, Xilkernel, depends on the Standalone platform; consequently, the interfaces that the Standalone presents are inherited by Xilkernel. Refer to the “Standalone” document for information on available interfaces.

Hardware Requirements

Xilkernel is completely integrated with the software platform configuration and automatic library generation mechanism. As a result, a software platform based on Xilkernel can be configured and built in a matter of minutes. However, some services in the kernel require support from the hardware. Scheduling and all the dependent features require a periodic kernel tick and typically some kind of timer is used. Xilkernel has been designed to work with the `axi_timer` IP core. By specifying the instance name of the timer device in the software platform configuration, Xilkernel is able to initialize and use the timer cores and timer related services automatically. Refer to “[Configuring System Timer](#),” [page 48](#) for more information on how to specify the timer device.

Xilkernel has also been designed to work in scenarios involving multiple-interrupting peripherals. The `axi_intc` IP core handles the hardware interrupts and feeds a single IRQ line from the controller to the processor. By specifying the name of the interrupt controller peripheral in the software platform configuration, you would be getting kernel awareness of multiple interrupts. Xilkernel would automatically initialize the hardware cores, interrupt system, and the second level of software handlers as a part of its startup. You do not have to do this manually. Xilkernel handles non-cascaded interrupt controllers; cascaded interrupt controllers are not supported.

System Initialization

The entry point for the kernel is the `xilkernel_main()` routine defined in `main.c`. Any user initialization that must be performed can be done before the call to `xilkernel_main()`. This includes any system-wide features that might need to be enabled before invoking `xilkernel_main()`. These are typically machine-state features such as cache enablement or hardware exception enablement that must be “always ON” even when context switching between applications. Make sure to set up such system states before invoking `xilkernel_main()`. Conceptually, the `xilkernel_main()` routine does two things: it initializes the kernel via `xilkernel_init()` and then starts the kernel with `xilkernel_start()`. The first action performed within `xilkernel_init()` is kernel-specific hardware initialization. This includes registering the interrupt handlers and configuring the system timer, as well as memory protection initialization. Interrupts/exceptions are not enabled after completing `hw_init()`. The `sys_init()` routine is entered next.

The `sys_init()` routine performs initialization of each module, such as processes and threads, initializing in the following order:

1. Internal process context structures
2. Ready queues
3. pthread module
4. Semaphore module
5. Message queue module
6. Shared memory module
7. Memory allocation module
8. Software timers module
9. Idle task creation
10. Static pthread creation

After these steps, `xilkernel_start()` is invoked where interrupts and exceptions are enabled. The kernel loops infinitely in the *idle task*, enabling the scheduler to start scheduling processes.

Thread Safety and Re-Entrancy

Xilkernel, by definition, creates a multi-threaded environment. Many library and driver routines might not be written in a thread-safe or re-entrant manner. Examples include the C library routines such as `printf()`, `sprintf()`, `malloc()`, `free()`. When using any library or driver API that is not a part of Xilkernel, you must make sure to review thread-safety and re-entrancy features of the routine. One common way to prevent incorrect behavior with unsafe routines is to protect entry into the routine with locks or semaphores.

Restrictions

The MicroBlaze processor compiler supports a `-mxl-stack-check` switch, which can be used to catch stack overflows. However, this switch is meant to work only with single-threaded applications, so it cannot be used in Xilkernel.

Kernel Customization

Xilkernel is highly customizable. As described in previous sections, you can change the modules and individual parameters to suit your application. The SDK **Board Support Package Settings** dialog box provides an easy configuration method for Xilkernel parameters. Refer to the “Embedded System and Tools Architecture Overview” chapter in the *Embedded Systems Tools Reference Manual (UG111)* for more details. To customize a module in the kernel, a parameter with the name of the category set to `TRUE` must be defined in the Microprocessor Software Specification (MSS) file. An example for customizing the pthread is shown as follows:

```
parameter config_pthread_support = true
```

If you do not define a configurable `config_` parameter for the module, that module is not implemented. You do not have to manually key in these parameters and values. When you input information in the **Board Support Package Settings** dialog box, SDK generates the corresponding Microprocessor Software Specification (MSS) file entries automatically.

The following is an MSS file snippet for configuring OS Xilkernel for a PowerPC processor system. The values in the snippet are sample values that target a hypothetical board:

```
BEGIN OS
PARAMETER OS_NAME = xilkernel
PARAMETER OS_VER = 5.02.a
PARAMETER STDIN = RS232
PARAMETER STDOUT = RS232
PARAMETER proc_instance = microblaze0
PARAMETER config_debug_support = true
PARAMETER verbose = true
PARAMETER systmr_spec = true
PARAMETER systmr_freq = 100000000
PARAMETER systmr_interval = 80
PARAMETER sysintc_spec = system_intc
PARAMETER config_sched = true
PARAMETER sched_type = SCHED_PRIO
PARAMETER n_prio = 6
PARAMETER max_readyq = 10
PARAMETER config_pthread_support = true
PARAMETER max_pthreads = 10
PARAMETER config_sema = true
PARAMETER max_sema = 4
PARAMETER max_sema_waitq = 10
PARAMETER config_msgq = true
PARAMETER num_msgqs = 1
PARAMETER msgq_capacity = 10
PARAMETER config_bufmalloc = true
PARAMETER config_pthread_mutex = true
PARAMETER config_time = true
PARAMETER max_tmrs = 10
PARAMETER enhanced_features = true
PARAMETER config_kill = true
PARAMETER mem_table = ((4,30),(8,20))
PARAMETER static_pthread_table = ((shell_main,1))
END
```

The configuration parameters in the MSS specification impact the memory and code size of the Xilkernel image. Kernel-allocated structures whose count can be configured through the MSS must be reviewed to ensure that your memory and code size is appropriate to your design.

For example, the maximum number of process context structures allocated in the kernel is determined by the sum of two parameters; `max_procs` and `max_pthreads`. If a process context structures occupies `x` bytes of `bss` memory, then the total `bss` memory requirement for process contexts is $(\text{max_pthreads} * x)$ bytes. Consequently, such parameters must be tuned carefully, and you need to examine the final kernel image with the GNU size utility to ensure that your memory requirements are met. To get an idea the contribution each kernel-allocated structure makes to memory requirements, review the corresponding header file. The specification in the MSS is translated by Libgen and Xilkernel Tcl files into C-language configuration directives in two header files: `os_config.h` and `config_init.h`. Review these two files, which are generated in the main processor include directory, to understand how the specification gets translated.

Configuring STDIN and STDOUT

The standard input and output peripherals can be configured for Xilkernel. Xilkernel can work without a standard input and output also. These peripherals are the targets of input-output APIs like `print`, `outbyte`, and `inbyte`. The following table provides the attribute descriptions, data types, and defaults.

Table 3: STDIN/STDOUT Configuration Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>stdin</code>	Instance name of stdin peripheral.	string	none
<code>stdout</code>	Instance name of stdout peripheral.	string	none

Configuring Scheduling

You can configure the kernel scheduling policy by configuring the parameters shown in the following table.

Table 4: Scheduling Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>config_sched</code>	Configure scheduler module.	boolean	true
<code>sched_type</code>	Type of Scheduler to be used. Allowed values: 2 - SCHED_RR 3 - SCHED_PRIO	enum	SCHED_RR
<code>n_prio</code>	Number of priority levels if scheduling is SCHED_PRIO.	numeric	32
<code>max_readyq</code>	Length of each ready queue. This is the maximum number of processes that can be active in a ready queue at any instant in time.	numeric	10

Configuring Thread Management

Threads are the primary mechanism for creating process contexts. The configurable parameters of the thread module are listed in the following table.

Table 5: Thread Module Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>config_pthread_support</code>	Need pthread module.	boolean	true
<code>max_pthreads</code>	Maximum number of threads that can be allocated at any point in time.	numeric	10
<code>pthread_stack_size</code>	Stack size for dynamically created threads (in bytes).	numeric	1000

Table 5: Thread Module Parameters (Cont'd)

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>static_pthread_table</code>	Statically configure the threads that startup when the kernel is started. This is defined to be an array with each element containing the parameters <code>pthread_start_addr</code> and <code>pthread_prio</code> . Note: If you are specifying function names for <code>pthread_start_addr</code> , they must be functions in your source code that are compiled with the C dialect. They <i>cannot</i> be functions compiled with the C++ dialect.	array of 2-tuples	none
<code>pthread_start_addr</code>	Thread start address.	Function name (string)	none
<code>pthread_prio</code>	Thread priority.	numeric	none

Configuring Semaphores

You can configure the semaphores module, the maximum number of semaphores, and semaphore queue length. The following table shows the parameters used for configuration.

Table 6: Semaphore Module Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>config_sema</code>	Need Semaphore module.	boolean	false
<code>max_sem</code>	Maximum number of Semaphores.	numeric	10
<code>max_sem_waitq</code>	Semaphore Wait Queue Length.	numeric	10
<code>config_named_sema</code>	Configure named semaphore support in the kernel.	boolean	false

Configuring Message Queues

Optionally, you can configure the message queue module, number of message queues, and the size of each message queue. The message queue module depends on both the semaphore module and the buffer memory allocation module. The following table shows the parameter definitions used for configuration. Memory for messages must be explicitly specified in the `malloc` customization or created at run-time.

Table 7: Message Queue Module Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>config_msgq</code>	Need Message Queue module.	boolean	false
<code>num_msgqs</code>	Number of message queues in the system.	numeric	10
<code>msgq_capacity</code>	Maximum number of messages in the queue.	numeric	10
<code>use_malloc</code>	Provide for more powerful message queues which use <code>malloc</code> and <code>free</code> to allocate memory for messages.	boolean	false

Configuring Shared Memory

Optionally, you can configure the shared memory module and the size of each shared memory segment. All the shared memory segments that are needed must be specified in these parameters. The following table shows the parameters used for configuration.

Table 8: Shared Memory Module Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>config_shm</code>	Need shared memory module.	boolean	false
<code>shm_table</code>	Shared memory table. Defined as an array with each element having <code>shm_size</code> parameter.	array of 1-tuples	none
<code>shm_size</code>	Shared memory size.	numeric	none
<code>num_shm</code>	Number of shared memories expressed as the <code>shm_table</code> array size.	numeric	none

Configuring Pthread Mutex Locks

Optionally, you can choose to include the pthread mutex module, number of mutex locks, and the size of the wait queue for the mutex locks. The following table shows the parameters used for configuration.

Table 9: Pthread Mutex Module Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>config_pthread_mutex</code>	Need pthread mutex module.	boolean	false
<code>max_pthread_mutex</code>	Maximum number of pthread mutex locks available in the system.	numeric	10
<code>max_pthread_mutex_waitq</code>	Length of each the mutex lock wait queue.	numeric	10

Configuring Buffer Memory Allocation

Optionally, you can configure the dynamic buffer memory management module, size of memory blocks, and number of memory blocks. The following table shows the parameters used for configuration.

Table 10: Memory Management Module Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>config_bufmalloc</code>	Need buffer memory management.	boolean	false
<code>max_bufs</code>	Maximum number of buffer pools that can be managed at any time by the kernel.	numeric	10
<code>mem_table</code>	Memory block table. This is defined as an array with each element having <code>mem_bsize</code> , <code>mem_nblks</code> parameters.	array of 2-tuples	none
<code>mem_bsize</code>	Memory block size in bytes.	numeric	none
<code>mem_nblks</code>	Number of memory blocks of a size.	numeric	none

Configuring Software Timers

Optionally, you can configure the software timers module and the maximum number of timers supported. The following table shows the parameters used for configuration.

Table 11: Software Timers Module Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>config_time</code>	Need software timers and time management module.	boolean	false
<code>max_tmrs</code>	Maximum number of software timers in the kernel.	numeric	10

Configuring Enhanced Interfaces

Optionally, you can configure some enhanced features/interfaces using the following parameters shown in the following table.

Table 12: Enhanced Features

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>config_kill</code>	Include the ability to kill a process with the <code>kill()</code> function.	boolean	false
<code>config_yield</code>	Include the <code>yield()</code> interface.	boolean	false

Configuring System Timer

You can configure the timer device in the system for MicroBlaze processor kernels. Additionally, you can configure the timer interval for PowerPC and PIT timer based MicroBlaze processor systems. The following table shows the available parameters .

Table 13: Attributes for Copying Kernel Source Files

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>systmr_dev¹</code>	Instance name of the system timer peripheral.	string	none
<code>systmr_freq</code>	Specify the clock frequency of the system timer device. For the <code>axi_timer</code> , it is the frequency of the AXI bus to which the <code>axi_timer</code> is connected.	numeric	100000000
<code>systmr_interval</code>	Time interval per system timer interrupt.	numeric (milliseconds)	10

1. MicroBlaze only.

Configuring Interrupt Handling

You can configure the interrupt controller device in the system kernels. Adding this parameter automatically configures multiple interrupt support and the user-level interrupt handling API in the kernel. This also causes the kernel to automatically initialize the interrupt controller. The following table shows the implemented parameters.

Table 14: Attributes for Copying Kernel Source Files

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>sysintc_spec</code>	Specify the instance name of the interrupt controller device connected to the external interrupt port.	string	null

Configuring Debug Messages

You can configure that the kernel outputs debug/diagnostic messages through its execution flow. Enabling the parameter in the following table makes the `DBG_PRINT` macro available, and subsequently its output to the standard output device:

Table 15: Attribute for Debug Messages

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>debug_mode</code>	Turn on kernel debug messages.	boolean	false

Coping Kernel Source Files

You can copy the configured kernel source files to your repository for further editing and use them for building the kernel. The following table shows the implemented parameters:

Table 16: Attributes for Copying Kernel Source Files

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
<code>copyoutfiles</code>	Need to copy source files.	boolean	false
<code>copytodir</code>	User repository directory. The path is relative to <i>project_directory</i> / <i>system_name</i> / <i>libsrc</i> / <i>xilkernel_v6_2</i> / <i>src_dir</i> .	path string	<code>../copyoflib</code>

Debugging Xilkernel

The entire kernel image is a single file that can serve as the target for debugging with the SDK GNU Debugger (GDB) mechanism. User applications and the library must be compiled with a `-g`. Refer to the *Embedded System Tools Reference Manual (UG111)* for documentation on how to debug applications with GDB.

Note: This method of debugging involves great visibility into the kernel and is intrusive. Also, this debugging scheme is *not* kernel-user application aware.

Memory Footprint

The size of Xilkernel depends on the user configuration. It is small in size and can fit in different configurations. The following table shows the memory size output from GNU size utility for the kernel. Xilkernel has been tested with the GNU Compiler Collection (GCC) optimization flag of -O2; the numbers in the table are from the same optimization level.

Table 17: User Configuration and Xilkernel Size

Configuration	MicroBlaze (in kb)	PowerPC (in kb)
Basic kernel functionality with multi-threading only.	7	16
Full kernel functionality with round-robin scheduling (no multiple interrupt support and no enhanced features).	16	26
Full kernel functionality with priority scheduling (no multiple interrupt support and no enhanced features).	16.5	26.5
Full kernel functionality with all modules (threads, support for both ELF processes, priority scheduling, IPC, synchronization constructs, buffer malloc, multiple and user level interrupt handling, drivers for interrupt controller and timer, enhanced features).	22	32

Xilkernel File Organization

Xilkernel sources are organized as shown in the table below:

Table 18: Organization of Xilkernel Sources

root/				Contains the /data and the /src folders.
	data/			Contains Microprocessor Library Definition (MLD) and Tcl files that determine XilKernel configuration.
	src/			Contains all the source.
		include/		Contains header files organized similar to /src.
		src/		Non-header source files.
			arch/	Architecture-specific sources.
			sys/	System-level sources.
			ipc/	Sources that implement the IPC functionality.

Modifying Xilkernel

You can further customize Xilkernel by changing the actual code base. To work with a custom copy of Xilkernel, you must first copy the Xilkernel source folder `xilkernel_v6_2` from the SDK installation and place it in a software repository; for example, `<.../mylibraries/bsp/xilkernel_v6_2>`. If the repository path is added to the tools, Libgen picks up the source folder of Xilkernel for compilation.

Refer to “[Xilkernel File Organization](#),” page 50 for more information on the organization of the Xilkernel sources. Xilkernel sources have been written in an elementary and intuitive style and include comment blocks above each significant function. Each source file also carries a comment block indicating its role.

Deprecated Features

ELF Process Management (Deprecated)

A deprecated feature of Xilkernel is the support for creating execution contexts out of separate Executable Linked Files (ELFs).

You might do this if you need to create processes out of executable files that lay on a file system (such as XiFATFS or XiMFS). Typically, a loader is required, which Xilkernel does not provide. Assuming that your application does involve a loader, then given an entry point in memory to the executable, Xilkernel can then create a process. The kernel does not allocate a separate stack for such processes; the stack is set up as a part of the CRT of the separate executable.

Note: Such separate executable ELF files, which are designed to run on top of Xilkernel, must be compiled with the compiler flag `-xl-mode-xilkernel` for MicroBlaze processors. For PowerPC processors, you must use a custom linker script, that does not include the `.boot` and the `.vectors` sections in the final ELF image. The reason that these modifications are required is that, by default, any program compiled with the SDK GNU tool flow, could potentially contain sections that overwrite the critical interrupt, exception, and reset vectors section in memory. Xilkernel requires that its own ELF image initialize these sections and that they stay intact. Using these special compile flags and linker scripts, removes these sections from the output image for applications.

The separate executable mode has the following caveats:

- Global pointer optimization is not supported.
Note: This is supported in the default kernel linkage mode. It is not supported only in this separate executable mode.
- Xilkernel does not feature a loader when creating new processes and threads. It creates process and thread contexts to start of from memory images assumed to be initialized. Therefore, if any ELF file depends on initialized data sections, then the next time the same memory image is used to create a process, the initialized sections are invalid, unless some external mechanism is used to reload the ELF image before creating the process.

Note: This feature is deprecated. Xilinx encourages use of the standard, single executable file application model.

Refer to the [“Configuring ELF Process Management \(Deprecated\),” page 52](#) for more details. An ELF process is created and handled using the following interfaces.

```
int elf_process_create(void* start_addr, int prio)
```

Parameters	<p><i>start_addr</i> is the start address of the process.</p> <p><i>prio</i> is the starting priority of the process in the system.</p>
Returns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PID of the new process on success. • -1 on failure.
Description	Creates a new process. Allocates a new PID and Process Control Block (PCB) for the process. The process is placed in the appropriate ready queue.
Includes	<code>xmk.h</code> , <code>sys/process.h</code>

```
int elf_process_exit(void)
```

Parameters None.

Returns None.

Description Removes the process from the system.

Caution! Do not use this function to terminate a thread.

Includes xmk.h, sys/process.h

Configuring ELF Process Management (Deprecated)

You can select the maximum number of processes in the system and the different functions needed to handle processes. The processes and threads that are present in the system on system startup can be configured statically. The following table provides a list of available parameters:

Table 19: Process Management Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Defaults
config_elf_process	Need ELF process management. Note: Using config_elf_process requires enhanced_features=true in the kernel configuration.	boolean	true
max_procs	Maximum number of processes in the system.	numeric	10
static_elf_process_table	Configure startup processes that are separate executable files. This is defined to be an array with each element containing the parameters process_start and process_prio.	Array of 2-tuples	none
process_start_addr	Process start address.	Address	none
process_prio	Process priority.	Numeric	none

Overview

The LibXil MFS provides the capability to manage program memory in the form of file handles. You can create directories and have files within each directory. The file system can be accessed from the high-level C language through function calls specific to the file system.

MFS Functions

This section provides a linked summary and descriptions of MFS functions.

MFS Function Summary

The following list is a linked summary of the supported MFS functions. Descriptions of the functions are provided after the summary table. You can click on a function in the summary list to go to the description.

```
void mfs_init_fs(int numbytes, _char_ *address, _int init_type)
void mfs_init_genimage(int numbytes, char *address, int init_type)
int mfs_change_dir(char *newdir)
int mfs_create_dir(char *newdir)
int mfs_delete_dir(char *dirname)
int mfs_get_current_dir_name(char *dirname)
int mfs_delete_file(char *filename)
int mfs_rename_file(char *from_file, char *to_file)
int mfs_exists_file(char *filename)
int mfs_get_usage(int *num_blocks_used, int *num_blocks_free)
int mfs_dir_open(char *dirname)
int mfs_dir_close(int fd)
int mfs_dir_read(int fd, char **filename, int *filesize, int *filetype)
int mfs_file_open(char *filename, int mode)
int mfs_file_write(int fd, char *buf, int buflen)
int mfs_file_close(int fd)
long mfs_file_lseek(int fd, long offset, int whence)
```


MFS Function Descriptions

```
void mfs_init_fs(int numbytes, char *address, int
                 init_type)
```

Parameters *numbytes* is the number of bytes of memory available for the file system.
 address is the starting(base) address of the file system memory.
 init_type is MFSINIT_NEW, MFSINIT_IMAGE, or MFSINIT_ROM_IMAGE.

Description Initialize the memory file system. This function must be called before any file system operation. Use `mfs_init_genimage` instead of this function if the filesystem is being initialized with an image generated by `mfsgen`. The status/mode parameter determines certain filesystem properties:

- MFSINIT_NEW creates a new, empty file system for read/write.
- MFSINIT_IMAGE initializes a filesystem whose data has been previously loaded into memory at the base address.
- MFSINIT_ROM_IMAGE initializes a Read-Only filesystem whose data has been previously loaded into memory at the base address.

Includes `xilmfs.h`

```
void mfs_init_genimage(int numbytes, char *address, int
                      init_type)
```

Parameters *numbytes* is the number of bytes of memory in the image generated by the `mfsgen` tool. This is equal to the size of the memory available for the file system, plus 4.
 address is the starting(base) address of the image.
 init_type is either MFSINIT_IMAGE or MFSINIT_ROM_IMAGE

Description Initialize the memory file system with an image generated by `mfsgen`. This function must be called before any file system operation. The status/mode parameter determines certain filesystem properties:

- MFSINIT_IMAGE initializes a filesystem whose data has been previously loaded into memory at the base address.
- MFSINIT_ROM_IMAGE initializes a Read-Only filesystem whose data has been previously loaded into memory at the base address.

Includes `xilmfs.h`

```
int mfs_change_dir(char *newdir)
```

Parameters *newdir* is the chdir destination.

Returns 1 on success.
 0 on failure.

Description If *newdir* exists, make it the current directory of MFS. Current directory is not modified in case of failure.

Includes `xilmfs.h`

```
int mfs_create_dir(char *newdir)
```

Parameters	<i>newdir</i> is the directory name to be created.
Returns	Index of new directory in the file system on success. 0 on failure.
Description	Create a new empty directory called <i>newdir</i> inside the current directory.
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

```
int mfs_delete_dir(char *dirname)
```

Parameters	<i>dirname</i> is the directory to be deleted.
Returns	Index of new directory in the file system on success. 0 on failure.
Description	Delete the directory <i>dirname</i> , if it exists and is empty.
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

```
int mfs_get_current_dir_name(char *dirname)
```

Parameters	<i>dirname</i> is the current directory name.
Returns	1 on success. 0 on failure.
Description	Return the name of the current directory in a preallocated buffer, <i>dirname</i> , of at least 16 chars. It does not return the absolute path name of the current directory, but just the name of the current directory.
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

```
int mfs_delete_file(char *filename)
```

Parameters	<i>filename</i> is the file to be deleted.
Returns	1 on success. 0 on failure.
Description	Delete <i>filename</i> from the directory.
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

Caution! This function does not completely free up the directory space used by the file. Repeated calls to create and delete files can cause the filesystem to run out of space.

```
int mfs_rename_file(char *from_file, char *to_file)
```

Parameters *from_file* is the original filename.
 to_file is the new file name.

Returns 1 on success.
 0 on failure.

Description Rename *from_file* to *to_file*. Rename works for directories as well as files. Function fails if *to_file* already exists.

Includes xilmfs.h

```
int mfs_exists_file(char *filename)
```

Parameters *filename* is the file or directory to be checked for existence.

Returns 0 if *filename* does not exist.
 1 if *filename* is a file.
 2 if *filename* is a directory.

Description Check if the file/directory is present in current directory.

Includes xilmfs.h

```
int mfs_get_usage(int *num_blocks_used, int  
                  *num_blocks_free)
```

Parameters *num_blocks_used* is the number of blocks used.
 num_blocks_free is the number of free blocks.

Returns 1 on success.
 0 on failure.

Description Get the number of used blocks and the number of free blocks in the file system through pointers.

Includes xilmfs.h

```
int mfs_dir_open(char *dirname)
```

Parameters *dirname* is the directory to be opened for reading.

Returns The index of *dirname* in the array of open files on success.
 -1 on failure.

Description Open directory *dirname* for reading. Reading a directory is done using `mfs_dir_read()`.

Includes xilmfs.h

```
int mfs_dir_close(int fd)
```

Parameters *fd* is file descriptor return by open.

Returns 1 on success.
 0 on failure.

Description Close the dir pointed by *fd*. The file system regains the *fd* and uses it for new files.

Includes *xilmfs.h*

```
int mfs_dir_read(int fd, char **filename,  
                  int *filesize, int *filetype)
```

Parameters *fd* is the file descriptor return by open; passed to this function by caller.

filename is the pointer to file name at the current position in the directory in MFS; this value is filled in by this function.

filesize is the pointer to a value filled in by this function: Size in bytes of filename, if it is a regular file; Number of directory entries if filename is a directory.

filetype is the pointer to a value filled in by this function:
MFS_BLOCK_TYPE_FILE if *filename* is a regular file.
MFS_BLOCK_TYPE_DIR if *filename* is a directory.

Returns 1 on success.
 0 on failure.

Description Read the current directory entry and advance the internal pointer to the next directory entry. *filename*, *filetype*, and *filesize* are pointers to values stored in the current directory entry.

Includes *xilmfs.h*

```
int mfs_file_open(char *filename, int mode)
```

Parameters *filename* is the file to be opened.
 mode is Read/Write or Create.

Returns The index of filename in the array of open files on success.
 -1 on failure.

Description Open file filename with given mode. The function should be used for files and not directories:

- **MODE_READ**, no error checking is done (if file or directory).
- **MODE_CREATE** creates a file and not a directory.
- **MODE_WRITE** fails if the specified file is a DIR.

Includes *xilmfs.h*

```
int mfs_file_read(int fd, char *buf, int buflen)
```

Parameters	<i>fd</i> is the file descriptor return by open. <i>buf</i> is the destination buffer for the read. <i>buflen</i> is the length of the buffer.
Returns	Number of bytes read on success. 0 on failure.
Description	Read <i>buflen</i> number bytes and place it in <i>buf</i> . <i>fd</i> should be a valid index in "open files" array, pointing to a file, not a directory. <i>buf</i> should be a pre-allocated buffer of size <i>buflen</i> or more. If fewer than <i>buflen</i> chars are available then only that many chars are read.
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

```
int mfs_file_write(int fd, char *buf, int buflen)
```

Parameters	<i>fd</i> is the file descriptor return by open. <i>buf</i> is the source buffer from where data is read. <i>buflen</i> is the length of the buffer.
Returns	1 on success. 0 on failure.
Description	Write <i>buflen</i> number of bytes from <i>buf</i> to the file. <i>fd</i> should be a valid index in <code>open_files</code> array. <i>buf</i> should be a pre-allocated buffer of size <i>buflen</i> or more. Caution! Writing to locations other than the end of the file is not supported. Using <code>mfs_file_lseek()</code> go to some other location in the file then calling <code>mfs_file_write()</code> is not supported
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

```
int mfs_file_close(int fd)
```

Parameters	<i>fd</i> is the file descriptor return by open.
Returns	1 on success. 0 on failure.
Description	Close the file pointed by <i>fd</i> . The file system regains the <i>fd</i> and uses it for new files.
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

```
long mfs_file_lseek(int fd, long offset, int whence)
```

Parameters	<p><i>fd</i> is the file descriptor return by open.</p> <p><i>offset</i> is the number of bytes to seek.</p> <p><i>whence</i> is the file system dependent mode:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>MFS_SEEK_END</code>, then <i>offset</i> can be either 0 or negative, otherwise <i>offset</i> is non-negative. • <code>MFS_SEEK_CURR</code>, then <i>offset</i> is calculated from the current location. • <code>MFS_SEEK_SET</code>, then <i>offset</i> is calculated from the start of the file.
Returns	<p>Returns <i>offset</i> from the beginning of the file to the current location on success.</p> <p>-1 on failure: the current location is not modified.</p>
Description	<p>Seek to a given <i>offset</i> within the file at location <i>fd</i> in <code>open_files</code> array.</p> <p>Caution! It is an error to seek before beginning of file or after the end of file.</p> <p>Caution! Writing to locations other than the end of the file is not supported. Using the <code>mfs_file_lseek()</code> function or going to some other location in the file then calling <code>mfs_file_write()</code> is not supported.</p>
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

Utility Functions

The following subsections provide a summary and the descriptions of the utility functions that can be used along with the MFS. These functions are defined in `mfs_filesys_util.c` and are declared in `xilmfs.h`.

Utility Function Summary

The following list is a linked summary of the supported MFS Utility functions. Descriptions of the functions are provided after the summary table. You can click on a function in the summary list to go to the description.

```
int mfs_ls(void)
int mfs_ls_r(int recurse)
int mfs_cat(char* filename)
int mfs_copy_stdin_to_file(char *filename)
int mfs_file_copy(char *from_file, char *to_file)
```

Utility Function Descriptions

int mfs_ls(void)

Parameters	None.
Returns	1 on success. 0 on failure.
Description	List contents of current directory on <code>STDOUT</code> .
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

int mfs_ls_r(int *recurse*)

Parameters	<i>recurse</i> controls the amount of recursion: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 0 lists the contents of the current directory and stop.• > 0 lists the contents of the current directory and any subdirectories up to a depth of <i>recurse</i>.• = -1 completes recursive directory listing with no limit on recursion depth.
Returns	1 on success. 0 on failure.
Description	List contents of current directory on <code>STDOUT</code> .
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

int mfs_cat(char* *filename*)

Parameters	<i>filename</i> is the file to be displayed.
Returns	1 on success. 0 on failure.
Description	Print the file to <code>STDOUT</code> .
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

int mfs_copy_stdin_to_file(char **filename*)

Parameters	<i>filename</i> is the destination file.
Returns	1 on success. 0 on failure.
Description	Copy from <code>STDIN</code> to named file. An end-of-file (EOF) character should be sent from <code>STDIN</code> to allow the function to return 1.
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

```
int mfs_file_copy(char *from_file, char *to_file)
```

Parameters	<i>from_file</i> is the source file. <i>to_file</i> is the destination file.
Returns	1 on success. 0 on failure.
Description	Copy <i>from_file</i> to <i>to_file</i> . Copy fails if <i>to_file</i> already exists or either from or to location cannot be opened.
Includes	<code>xilmfs.h</code>

Additional Utilities

The `mfsngen` program is provided along with the MFS library. You can use `mfsngen` to create an MFS memory image on a host system that can be subsequently downloaded to the embedded system memory. The `mfsngen` links to LibXil MFS and is compiled to run on the host machine rather than the target MicroBlaze™ or Cortex A9 processor system. Conceptually, this is similar to the familiar zip or tar programs.

An entire directory hierarchy on the host system can be copied to a local MFS file image using `mfsngen`. This file image can then be downloaded on to the memory of the embedded system for creating a pre-loaded file system.

Test programs are included to illustrate this process. For more information, see the `readme.txt` file in the `utils` sub-directory.

Usage: **mfsngen** **-{c t | x}** **vsb** *num_blocks* **f** *mfs_filename*

Specify exactly one of `c`, `t`, or `x` modes

`c`: creates an mfs file system image using the list of files specified on the command line (directories specified in this list are traversed recursively).

`t`: lists the files in the mfs file system image

`x`: extracts the mfs file system from image to host file system

`v`: is verbose mode

`s`: switches endianness

`b`: lists the number of blocks (*num_blocks*) which should be more than 2

- If the `b` option is specified, the *num_blocks* value should be specified
- If the `b` option is omitted, the default value of *num_blocks* is 5000
- The `b` option is meaningful only when used in conjunction with the `c` option

`f`: specify the host file name (*mfs_filename*) where the mfs file system image is stored

- If the `f` option is specified, the mfs filename should be specified
- If the `f` option is omitted, the default file name is `filesystem.mfs`

Libgen Customization

A memory file system can be integrated with a system using the following snippet in the Microprocessor Software Specification (MSS) file.

```
BEGIN LIBRARY
  parameter LIBRARY_NAME = xilmfs
  parameter LIBRARY_VER = 2.0
  parameter numbytes= 50000
  parameter base_address = 0xffe00000
  parameter init_type = MFSINIT_NEW
  parameter need_utils = false
END
```

The memory file system must be instantiated with the name **xilmfs**. The following table lists the attributes used by Libgen.

Table 1: Attributes for Including Memory File System

Attributes	Description
numbytes	Number of bytes allocated for file system.
base_address	Starting address for file system memory.
init_type	Options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFSINIT_NEW (default) creates a new, empty file system. MFSINIT_ROM_IMAGE creates a file system based on a pre-loaded memory image loaded in memory of size <i>numbytes</i> at starting address <i>base_address</i>. This memory is considered read-only and modification of the file system is not allowed. MFS_INIT_IMAGE is similar to the previous option except that the file system can be modified, and the memory is readable and writable.
need_utils	true or false (default = false) If true, this causes <code>stdio.h</code> to be included from <code>mfs_config.h</code> . The functions described in “Utility Functions,” page 7 require that you have defined <code>stdin</code> or <code>stdout</code> . Setting the <code>need_utils</code> to true causes <code>stdio.h</code> to be included. Caution! The underlying software and hardware platforms must support <code>stdin</code> and <code>stdout</code> peripherals for these utility functions to compile and link correctly.

lwIP 1.4.1 Library (v1.1)

Overview

The lwIP is an open source TCP/IP protocol suite available under the BSD license. The lwIP is a standalone stack; there are no operating systems dependencies, although it can be used along with operating systems. The lwIP provides two APIs for use by applications:

- RAW API: Provides access to the core lwIP stack.
- Socket API: Provides a BSD sockets style interface to the stack.

The lw141_v1_1 is an SDK library that is built on the open source lwIP library version 1.4.1. The lw141_v1_1 library provides adapters for the Ethernetlite (axi_ethernetlite), the TEMAC (axi_ethernet), and the Gigabit Ethernet controller and MAC (GigE) cores. The library can run on MicroBlaze™ and ARM Cortex-A9 processors. The Ethernetlite and TEMAC cores apply for MicroBlaze systems. The Gigabit Ethernet controller and MAC (GigE) core is applicable only for ARM Cortex-A9 system (Zynq®-7000 processor devices).

Features

The lwIP provides support for the following protocols:

- Internet Protocol (IP)
- Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP)
- User Datagram Protocol (UDP)
- TCP (Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)
- Address Resolution Protocol (ARP)
- Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP)
- Internet Group Message Protocol (IGMP)

Additional Resources

- lwIP wiki: <http://lwip.scribblewiki.com>
- Xilinx® lwIP designs and application examples:
http://www.xilinx.com/support/documentation/application_notes/xapp1026.pdf
- lwIP examples using RAW and Socket APIs: <http://savannah.nongnu.org/projects/lwip/>
- FreeRTOS Port for Zynq is available for download from the FreeRTOS website:
http://www.freertos.org/Interactive_Frames/Open_Frames.html?http://interactive.freertos.org/forums

Using lwIP

The following sections detail the hardware and software steps for using lwIP for networking. The key steps are:

1. Creating a hardware system containing the processor, ethernet core, and a timer. The timer and ethernet interrupts must be connected to the processor using an interrupt controller.
2. Configuring 141_v1_1 to be a part of the software platform. For operating with lwIP socket API, the Xilkernel library or FreeRTOS BSP is a prerequisite. See the Note below.

Note: The Xilkernel library is available only for MicroBlaze systems. For Cortex-A9 based systems (Zynq), there is no support for Xilkernel. Instead, use FreeRTOS. A FreeRTOS BSP is available for Zynq systems and must be included for using lwIP socket API. The FreeRTOS BSP for Zynq is available for download from:

http://www.freertos.org/Interactive_Frames/Open_Frames.html?http://interactive.freertos.org/forums

Setting up the Hardware System

This section describes the hardware configurations supported by lwIP. The key components of the hardware system include:

- Processor: Either a MicroBlaze or a Cortex-A9 processor. The Cortex-A9 processor applies to Zynq systems.
- MAC: LwIP supports axi_ethernetlite, axi_ethernet, and Gigabit Ethernet controller and MAC (GigE) cores.
- Timer: to maintain TCP timers, lwIP raw API based applications require that certain functions are called at periodic intervals by the application. An application can do this by registering an interrupt handler with a timer.
- DMA: For axi_ethernet based systems, the axi_ethernet cores can be configured with a soft DMA engine or a fifo interface. For GigE-based Zynq systems, there is a built-in DMA and so no extra configuration is needed. Same applies to axi_ethernetlite based systems, which have their built-in buffer management provisions.

Figure 1 shows a sample system architecture with a Kintex®-6 device utilizing the axi_ethernet core with DMA.

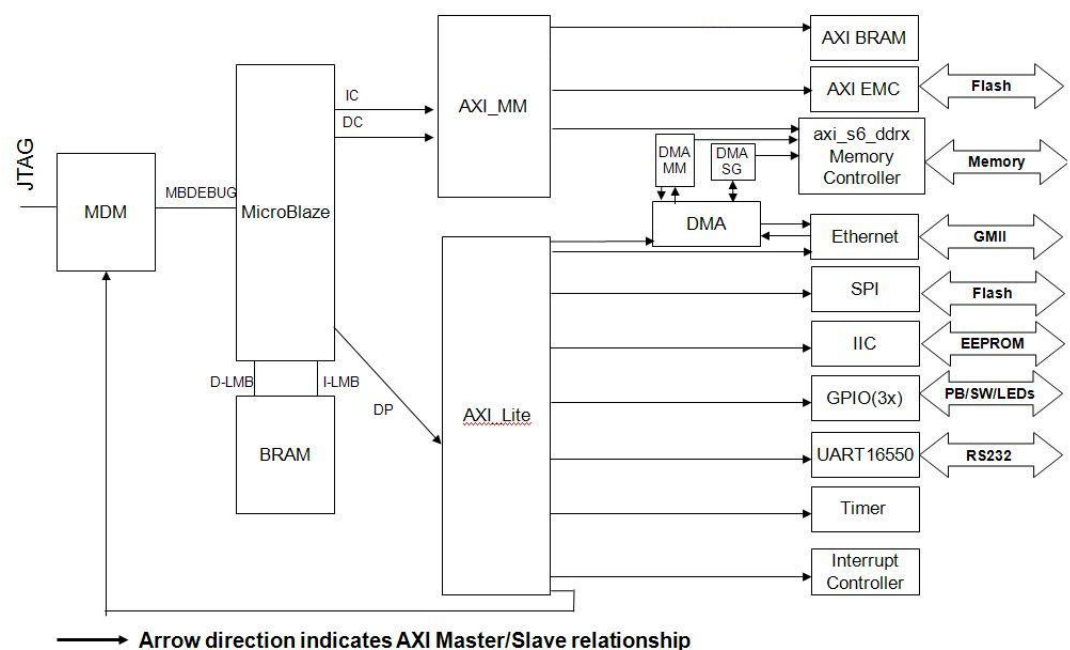


Figure 1: System Architecture using axi_ethernet core with DMA

Setting up the Software System

To use lwIP in a software application, you must first compile the lwIP library as part of software application.

To move the hardware design to SDK, you must first export it from the Hardware Tools.

1. Select **Project > Export Hardware Design to SDK**.
2. On the Export to SDK dialog box that opens, click **Export & Launch SDK**.

Vivado® exports the design to SDK. SDK opens and prompts you to create a workspace.

After SDK opens with hw_platform already present in the Project Explorer, compile the lwIP library:

1. Select **File > New > Xilinx Board Support Package**.

The New Board Support Package window opens.

2. Give the project a name and select a location for it. Select XilKernel, Standalone, or FreeRTOS, and click **Finish**.

Note: For Zynq there is no option for XilKernel. FreeRTOS must be used for Zynq. The FreeRTOS BSP for Zynq is available for download from:

http://www.freertos.org/Interactive_Frames/Open_Frames.html?http://interactive.freertos.org/forums

Follow the steps provided in the pdf document provided with the port to use the FreeRTOS BSP.

The Board Support Package Settings window opens.

3. Select the lwip141 library with version 1.1.
On the left side of the SDK window, lwip141 appears in the list of libraries to be compiled.
4. Select lwip141 in the Project Explorer tab. The configuration options for lwIP are listed. Configure the lwIP and click **OK**.

The board support package automatically builds with lwIP included in it.

Configuring lwIP Options

The lwIP provides configurable parameters. The values for these parameters can be changed in SDK. There are two major categories of configurable options:

- Xilinx Adapter to lwIP options: These control the settings used by Xilinx adapters for the ethernet cores.
- Base lwIP options: These options are part of lwIP library itself, and include parameters for TCP, UDP, IP and other protocols supported by lwIP.

The following sections describe the available lwIP configurable options.

Customizing lwIP API Mode

The 141_v1_1 supports both raw API and socket API:

- The raw API is customized for high performance and lower memory overhead. The limitation of raw API is that it is callback-based, and consequently does not provide portability to other TCP stacks.
- The socket API provides a BSD socket-style interface and is very portable; however, this mode is not as efficient as raw API mode in performance and memory requirements.

The 141_v1_1 also provides the ability to set the priority on TCP/IP and other lwIP application threads. [Table 1](#) provides lwIP library API modes.

Table 1: API Mode Options and Descriptions

Attribute/Options	Description	Type	Default
api_mode {RAW_API SOCKET_API}	The lwIP library mode of operation.	enum	RAW_API
socket_mode_thread_prio	<p>Priority of lwIP TCP/IP thread and all lwIP application threads.</p> <p>This setting applies only when Xilkernel is used in priority mode.</p> <p>It is recommended that all threads using lwIP run at the same priority level.</p> <p>Note: For GigE based Zynq-7000 systems using FreeRTOS, appropriate priority should be set. The default priority of 1 will not give the expected behavior.</p> <p>For FreeRTOS (Zynq-7000 systems), all internal lwIP tasks (except the main TCP/IP task) are created with the priority level set for this attribute. The TCP/IP task is given a higher priority than other tasks for improved performance. The typical TCP/IP task priority is 1 more than the priority set for this attribute for FreeRTOS.</p>	integer	1
use_axieth_on_zynq	<p>In the event that the AxiEthernet soft IP is used on a Zynq-7000 device.</p> <p>This option ensures that the GigE on the Zynq-7000 PS (EmacPs) is not enabled and the device uses the AxiEthernet soft IP for Ethernet traffic.</p> <p>Note: The existing Xilinx-provided lwIP adapters are not tested for multiple MACs.</p>	integer	<p>0 = Use Zynq-7000 PS-based GigE controller</p> <p>1= User AxiEthernet.</p>

Configuring Xilinx Adapter Options

The Xilinx adapters for EMAC/GigE cores are configurable.

Ethernetlite Adapter Options

Table 2 provides the configuration parameters for the `axi_ethernetlite` adapter.

Table 2: `xps_ethernetlite` Adapter Options

Attribute	Description	Type	Default
<code>sw_rx_fifo_size</code>	Software Buffer Size in bytes of the receive data between EMAC and processor	integer	8192
<code>sw_tx_fifo_size</code>	Software Buffer Size in bytes of the transmit data between processor and EMAC	integer	8192

TEMAC Adapter Options

Table 3 provides the configuration parameters for the `axi_ethernet` and GigE adapters.

Table 3: `axi_Ethernet/GigE` Adapter

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
<code>n_tx_descriptors</code>	64	integer	Number of Tx descriptors to be used. For high performance systems there might be a need to use a higher value for this.
<code>n_rx_descriptors</code>	64	integer	Number of Rx descriptors to be used. For high performance systems there might be a need to use a higher value for this. Typical values are 128 and 256.
<code>n_tx_coalesce</code>	1	integer	Setting for Tx interrupt coalescing ¹
<code>n_rx_coalesce</code>	1	integer	Setting for Rx interrupt coalescing ¹
<code>tcp_rx_checksum_offload</code>	false	boolean	Offload TCP Receive checksum calculation (hardware support required). For GigE in Zynq, the TCP receive checksum offloading is always present, so this attribute does not apply.
<code>tcp_tx_checksum_offload</code>	false	boolean	Offload TCP Transmit checksum calculation (hardware support required). For GigE cores (for Zynq) the TCP transmit checksum offloading is always present, so this attribute does not apply.
<code>tcp_ip_rx_checksum_offload</code>	false	boolean	Offload TCP and IP Receive checksum calculation (hardware support required). Applicable only for AXI systems. For GigE in Zynq the TCP and IP receive checksum offloading is always present, so this attribute does not apply.
<code>tcp_ip_tx_checksum_offload</code>	false	boolean	Offload TCP and IP Transmit checksum calculation (hardware support required). Applicable only for AXI systems. For GigE in Zynq the TCP and IP transmit checksum offloading is always present, so this attribute does not apply.

Table 3: axi_Ethernet/GigE Adapter (Cont'd)

phy_link_speed	enum	CONFIG_LINKSPEED_AUTODETECT	Link speed as auto-negotiated by the PHY. lwIP configures the TEMAC/GigE for this speed setting. This setting must be correct for the TEMAC/GigE to transmit or receive packets. Note: The CONFIG_LINKSPEED_AUTODETECT setting attempts to detect the correct link speed by reading the PHY registers; however, this is PHY dependent, and has been tested with the Marvell PHYs present on Xilinx development boards. For other PHYs, select the correct speed.
temac_use_jumbo_frames_experimental	false	boolean	Use TEMAC jumbo frames (with a size up to 9k bytes). If this option is selected, jumbo frames are allowed to be transmitted and received by the TEMAC. For GigE in Zynq there is no support for jumbo frames, so this attribute does not apply.

1. This setting is not applicable for GigE in Zynq.

Configuring Memory Options

The lwIP stack provides different kinds of memories. Similarly, when the application uses socket mode, different memory options are used. All the configurable memory options are provided as a separate category. Default values work well unless application tuning is required.

The memory parameter options are provided in [Table 4](#):

Table 4: Memory Parameter Options

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
mem_size	131072	Integer	Total size of the heap memory available, measured in bytes. For applications which use a lot of memory from heap (using C library malloc or lwIP routine mem_malloc or pbuf_alloc with PBUF_RAM option), this number should be made higher as per the requirements.
memp_n_pbuf	16	Integer	The number of memp struct pbufs. If the application sends a lot of data out of ROM (or other static memory), this should be set high.
memp_n_udp_pcb	4	Integer	The number of UDP protocol control blocks. One per active UDP connection.
memp_n_tcp_pcb	32	Integer	The number of simultaneously active TCP connections.
memp_n_tcp_pcb_listen	8	Integer	The number of listening TC connections.
memp_n_tcp_seg	256	Integer	The number of simultaneously queued TCP segments.
memp_n_sys_timeout	8	Integer	Number of simultaneously active timeouts.
memp_num_netbuf	8	Integer	Number of allowed structure instances of type netbufs. Applicable only in socket mode.
memp_num_netconn	16	Integer	Number of allowed structure instances of type netconns. Applicable only in socket mode.
memp_num_api_msg	16	Integer	Number of allowed structure instances of type api_msg. Applicable only in socket mode.
memp_num_tcpip_msg	64	Integer	Number of TCPIP msg structures (socket mode only).

Note: Because Sockets Mode support uses Xilkernel services, the number of semaphores chosen in the Xilkernel configuration must take the value set for the `memp_num_netbuf` parameter into account. For FreeRTOS BSP there is no setting for the maximum number of semaphores. For FreeRTOS, you can create semaphores as long as memory is available.

Configuring Packet Buffer (Pbuf) Memory Options

Packet buffers (Pbufs) carry packets across various layers of the TCP/IP stack. The following are the pbuf memory options provided by the lwIP stack. Default values work well unless application tuning is required.

Table 5 provides the parameters for the Pbuf memory options:

Table 5: Pbuf Memory Options Configuration Parameters

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
<code>pbuf_pool_size</code>	256	Integer	Number of buffers in pbuf pool. For high performance systems, you might consider increasing the pbuf pool size to a higher value, such as 512.
<code>pbuf_pool_bufsize</code>	1700	Integer	Size of each pbuf in pbuf pool. For systems that support jumbo frames, you might consider using a pbuf pool buffer size that is more than the maximum jumbo frame size.
<code>pbuf_link_hlen</code>	16	Integer	Number of bytes that should be allocated for a link level header.

Configuring ARP Options

Table 6 provides the parameters for the ARP options. Default values work well unless application tuning is required.

Table 6: ARP Options Configuration Parameters

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
<code>arp_table_size</code>	10	Integer	Number of active hardware address IP address pairs cached.
<code>arp_queueing</code>	1	Integer	If enabled outgoing packets are queued during hardware address resolution. This attribute can have two values: 0 or 1.

Configuring IP Options

Table 7 provides the IP parameter options. Default values work well unless application tuning is required.

Table 7: IP Configuration Parameter Options

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
<code>ip_forward</code>	0	Integer	Set to 1 for enabling ability to forward IP packets across network interfaces. If running lwIP on a single network interface, set to 0. This attribute can have two values: 0 or 1.
<code>ip_options</code>	0	Integer	When set to 1, IP options are allowed (but not parsed). When set to 0, all packets with IP options are dropped. This attribute can have two values: 0 or 1.
<code>ip_reassembly</code>	1	Integer	Reassemble incoming fragmented IP packets.
<code>ip_frag</code>	1	Integer	Fragment outgoing IP packets if their size exceeds MTU.
<code>ip_reass_max_pbufs</code>	128	Integer	Reassembly pbuf queue length.

Table 7: IP Configuration Parameter Options (Cont'd)

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
ip_frag_max_mtu	1500	Integer	Assumed max MTU on any interface for IP fragmented buffer.
ip_default_ttl	255	Integer	Global default TTL used by transport layers.

Configuring ICMP Options

Table 8 provides the parameter for ICMP protocol option. Default values work well unless application tuning is required.

Table 8: ICMP Configuration Parameter Option

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
icmp_ttl	255	Integer	ICMP TTL value. For GigE cores (for Zynq) there is no support for ICMP in the hardware.

Configuring IGMP Options

The IGMP protocol is supported by lwIP stack. When set true, the following option enables the IGMP protocol.

Table 9: IGMP Configuration Parameter Option

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
imgp_options	false	Boolean	Specify whether IGMP is required.

Configuring UDP Options

Table 10 provides UDP protocol options. Default values work well unless application tuning is required.

Table 10: UDP Configuration Parameter Options

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
lwip_udp	true	Boolean	Specify whether UDP is required.
udp_ttl	255	Integer	UDP TTL value.

Configuring TCP Options

Table 11 provides the TCP protocol options. Default values work well unless application tuning is required.

Table 11: TCP Options Configuration Parameters

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
lwip_tcp	true	Boolean	Require TCP.
tcp_ttl	255	Integer	TCP TTL value.
tcp_wnd	2048	Integer	TCP Window size in bytes.
tcp_maxrtx	12	Integer	TCP Maximum retransmission value.
tcp_synmaxrtx	4	Integer	TCP Maximum SYN retransmission value.

Table 11: TCP Options Configuration Parameters (Cont'd)

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
<code>tcp_queue_ooseq</code>	1	Integer	Accept TCP queue segments out of order. Set to 0 if your device is low on memory.
<code>tcp_mss</code>	1460	Integer	TCP Maximum segment size.
<code>tcp_snd_buf</code>	8192	Integer	TCP sender buffer space in bytes.

Configuring DHCP Options

The DHCP protocol is supported by lwIP stack. Table 12 provides DHCP protocol options. Default values work well unless application tuning is required.

Table 12: DHCP Options Configuration Parameters

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
<code>lwip_dhcp</code>	false	Boolean	Specify whether DHCP is required.
<code>dhcp_does_arp_check</code>	false	Boolean	Specify whether ARP checks on offered addresses.

Configuring the Stats Option

lwIP stack has been written to collect statistics, such as the number of connections used; amount of memory used; and number of semaphores used, for the application. The library provides the `stats_display()` API to dump out the statistics relevant to the context in which the call is used. The stats option can be turned on to enable the statistics information to be collected and displayed when the `stats_display` API is called from user code. Use the following option to enable collecting the stats information for the application.

Table 13: Statistics Option Configuration Parameters

Attribute	Description	Type	Default
<code>lwip_stats</code>	Turn on lwIP Statistics	int	0

Configuring the Debug Option

lwIP provides debug information. Table 14 lists all available options.

Table 14: Debug Option Configuration Parameters

Attribute	Default	Type	Description
<code>lwip_debug</code>	false	Boolean	Turn on/off lwIP debugging.
<code>ip_debug</code>	false	Boolean	Turn on/off IP layer debugging.
<code>tcp_debug</code>	false	Boolean	Turn on/off TCP layer debugging.
<code>udp_debug</code>	false	Boolean	Turn on/off UDP layer debugging.
<code>icmp_debug</code>	false	Boolean	Turn on/off ICMP protocol debugging.
<code>igmp_debug</code>	false	Boolean	Turn on/off IGMP protocol debugging.
<code>netif_debug</code>	false	Boolean	Turn on/off network interface layer debugging.
<code>sys_debug</code>	false	Boolean	Turn on/off sys arch layer debugging.
<code>pbuf_debug</code>	false	Boolean	Turn on/off pbuf layer debugging.

Software APIs

The lwIP library provides two different APIs: RAW mode and Socket mode.

Raw API

The Raw API is callback based. Applications obtain access directly into the TCP stack and vice-versa. As a result, there is no extra socket layer, and using the Raw API provides excellent performance at the price of compatibility with other TCP stacks.

Xilinx Adapter Requirements when using RAW API

In addition to the lwIP RAW API, the Xilinx adapters provide the `xemacif_input` utility function for receiving packets. This function must be called at frequent intervals to move the received packets from the interrupt handlers to the lwIP stack. Depending on the type of packet received, lwIP then calls registered application callbacks.

Raw API File

The `$XILINX_SDK/sw/ThirdParty/sw_services/141_v1_1/src/lwip-1.4.1/doc/rawapi.txt` file describes the lwIP Raw API.

Socket API

The lwIP socket API provides a BSD socket-style API to programs. This API provides an execution model that is a blocking, open-read-write-close paradigm.

Xilinx Adapter Requirements when using Socket API

Applications using the Socket API with Xilinx adapters need to spawn a separate thread called `xemacif_input_thread`. This thread takes care of moving received packets from the interrupt handlers to the `tcpip_thread` of the lwIP. Application threads that use lwIP must be created using the lwIP `sys_thread_new` API. Internally, this function makes use of the appropriate thread or task creation routines provided by XilKernel or FreeRTOS.

Xilkernel/FreeRTOS scheduling policy when using Socket API

lwIP in socket mode requires the use of the Xilkernel or FreeRTOS, which provides two policies for thread scheduling: round-robin and priority based:

There are no special requirements when round-robin scheduling policy is used because all threads or tasks with same priority receive the same time quanta. This quanta is fixed by the RTOS (Xilkernel or FreeRTOS) being used.

With priority scheduling, care must be taken to ensure that lwIP threads or tasks are not starved. For Xilkernel, lwIP internally launches all threads at the priority level specified in `socket_mode_thread_prio`. For FreeRTOS, lwIP internally launches all tasks except the main TCP/IP task at the priority specified in `socket_mode_thread_prio`. The TCP/IP task in FreeRTOS is launched with a higher priority (one more than priority set in `socket_mode_thread_prio`). In addition, application threads must launch `xemacif_input_thread`. The priorities of both `xemacif_input_thread`, and the lwIP internal threads (`socket_mode_thread_prio`) must be high enough in relation to the other application threads so that they are not starved.

Using Xilinx Adapter Helper Functions

The Xilinx adapters provide the following helper functions to simplify the use of the lwIP APIs.

```
void lwip_init()
```

This function provides a single initialization function for the lwIP data structures. This replaces specific calls to initialize stats, system, memory, pbufs, ARP, IP, UDP, and TCP layers.

```
struct netif *xemac_add (struct netif *netif, struct ip_addr *ipaddr, struct ip_addr *netmask, struct ip_addr *gw, unsigned char *mac_ethernet_address, unsigned mac_baseaddr)
```

The `xemac_add` function provides a unified interface to add any Xilinx EMAC IP as well as GigE core. This function is a wrapper around the lwIP `netif_add` function that initializes the network interface 'netif' given its IP address `ipaddr`, `netmask`, the IP address of the gateway, `gw`, the 6 byte ethernet address `mac_ethernet_address`, and the base address, `mac_baseaddr`, of the `axi_ethernetlite` or `axi_ethernet` MAC core.

```
void xemacif_input (struct netif *netif)
```

(RAW mode only)

The Xilinx lwIP adapters work in interrupt mode. The receive interrupt handlers move the packet data from the EMAC/GigE and store them in a queue. The `xemacif_input` function takes those packets from the queue, and passes them to lwIP; consequently, this function is required for lwIP operation in RAW mode. The following is a sample lwIP application in RAW mode.

```
while (1) {
    /* receive packets */
    xemacif_input(netif);

    /* do application specific processing */
}
```

The program is notified of the received data through callbacks.

```
void xemacif_input_thread (struct netif *netif)
```

(Socket mode only)

In the socket mode, the application thread must launch a separate thread to receive the input packets. This performs the same work as the RAW mode function, `xemacif_input`, except that it resides in its own separate thread; consequently, any lwIP socket mode application is required to have code similar to the following in its main thread:

```
sys_thread_new("xemacif_input_thread",
    xemacif_input_thread, netif, THREAD_STACK_SIZE, DEFAULT_THREAD_PRIO);
```

The application can then continue launching separate threads for doing application specific tasks. The `xemacif_input_thread` receives data processed by the interrupt handlers, and passes them to the lwIP `tcpip_thread`.

```
void xemacpsif_resetrx_on_no_rxdata(struct netif *netif)
```

(Used in both Raw and Socket mode and applicable only for the Zynq-7000 processor and GigE controller)

There is an errata on the GigE controller that is related to the Rx path. The errata describes conditions whereby the Rx path of GigE becomes completely unresponsive with heavy Rx traffic of small sized packets. The condition occurrence is rare; however a software reset of the Rx logic in the controller is required when such a condition occurs.

This API must be called periodically (approximately every 100 milliseconds using a timer or thread) from user applications to ensure that the Rx path never becomes unresponsive for more than 100 milliseconds.

lwIP Performance

[Table 15](#) provides the maximum TCP throughput achievable by FPGA, CPU, EMAC, and system frequency in RAW modes. Applications requiring high performance should use the RAW API.

Table 15: Library Performance

FPGA	CPU	EMAC	System Frequency	Max TCP Throughput in RAW Mode	
				Rx Side	Tx Side
Virtex®	MicroBlaze	axi-ethernet	100 MHz	182 Mbps	100 Mbps
Virtex	MicroBlaze	xps-11-temac	100 MHz	178 Mbps	100 Mbps
Virtex	MicroBlaze	xps-ethernetlite	100 MHz	50 Mbps	38 Mbps

API Examples

Sample applications using the RAW API and Socket API are available on the Xilinx website. This section provides pseudo code that illustrates the typical code structure.

RAW API

Applications using the RAW API are single threaded, and have the following broad structure:

```
int main()
{
    struct netif *netif, server_netif;
    struct ip_addr ipaddr, netmask, gw;

    /* the MAC address of the board.
    * This should be unique per board/PHY */
    unsigned char mac_ethernet_address[] =
        {0x00, 0x0a, 0x35, 0x00, 0x01, 0x02};

    lwip_init();

    /* Add network interface to the netif_list,
    * and set it as default */
    if (!xemac_add(netif, &ipaddr, &netmask,
        &gw, mac_ethernet_address,
        EMAC_BASEADDR)) {
        printf("Error adding N/W interface\n\r");
        return -1;
    }
    netif_set_default(netif);

    /* now enable interrupts */
```

```

platform_enable_interrupts();

/* specify that the network if is up */
netif_set_up(netif);

/* start the application, setup callbacks */
start_application();

/* receive and process packets */
while (1) {
    xemacif_input(netif);
    /* application specific functionality */
    transfer_data();
}
}

```

RAW API works primarily using asynchronously called Send and Receive callbacks.

Socket API

XilKernel-based applications in socket mode can specify a static list of threads that XilKernel spawns on startup in the Xilkernel Software Platform Settings dialog box. Assuming that `main_thread()` is a thread specified to be launched by Xilkernel, control reaches this first thread from application "main" after the Xilkernel schedule is started. In `main_thread`, one more thread (`network_thread`) is created to initialize the MAC layer.

For FreeRTOS (Zynq-7000 processor systems) based applications, once the control reaches application "main" routine, a task (can be termed as `main_thread`) with an entry point function as `main_thread()` is created before starting the scheduler. After the FreeRTOS scheduler starts, the control reaches `main_thread()`, where the lwIP internal initialization happens. The application then creates one more thread (`network_thread`) to initialize the MAC layer.

The following pseudo-code illustrates a typical socket mode program structure.

```

void network_thread(void *p)
{
    struct netif *netif;
    struct ip_addr ipaddr, netmask, gw;

    /* the MAC address of the board.
     * This should be unique per board/PHY */
    unsigned char mac_ethernet_address[] =
        {0x00, 0x0a, 0x35, 0x00, 0x01, 0x02};

    netif = &server_netif;

    /* initialize IP addresses to be used */
    IP4_ADDR(&ipaddr, 192, 168, 1, 10);
    IP4_ADDR(&netmask, 255, 255, 255, 0);
    IP4_ADDR(&gw, 192, 168, 1, 1);

    /* Add network interface to the netif_list,
     * and set it as default */
    if (!xemac_add(netif, &ipaddr, &netmask,
        &gw, mac_ethernet_address,
        EMAC_BASEADDR)) {
        printf("Error adding N/W interface\n\r");
        return;
    }
    netif_set_default(netif);

    /* specify that the network if is up */
}

```

```
netif_set_up(netif);

/* start packet receive thread
- required for lwIP operation */
sys_thread_new("xemacif_input_thread", xemacif_input_thread,
    netif,
    THREAD_STACKSIZE, DEFAULT_THREAD_PRIO);

/* now we can start application threads */
/* start webserver thread (e.g.) */
sys_thread_new("httpd" web_application_thread, 0,
    THREAD_STACKSIZE DEFAULT_THREAD_PRIO);
}

int main_thread()
{
    /* initialize lwIP before calling sys_thread_new */
    lwip_init();

    /* any thread using lwIP should be created using
    * sys_thread_new() */
    sys_thread_new("network_thread" network_thread, NULL,
        THREAD_STACKSIZE DEFAULT_THREAD_PRIO);

    return 0;
}
```

Overview

The XilFlash library provides read/write/erase/lock/unlock features to access a parallel flash device. Flash device family specific functionality are also supported by the library. This library requires the underlying hardware platform to contain the following:

- axi_emc or similar core for accessing the flash.

This library implements the functionality for flash memory devices that conform to the "Common Flash Interface" (CFI) standard. CFI allows a single flash library to be used for an entire family of parts. This library supports Intel and AMD CFI compliant flash memory devices.

All the calls in the library are blocking in nature in that the control is returned back to user only after the current operation is completed successfully or an error is reported.

The following common APIs are supported for all flash devices:

- Initialize
- Read
- Write
- Erase
- Lock
- UnLock
- IsReady
- Reset
- Device specific control

You must call the "[int XFlash_Initialize \(XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 BaseAddress, u8 BusWidth, int IsPlatformFlash\)](#)" API before calling any other API in this library.

XilFlash Library APIs

This section provides a linked summary and detailed descriptions of the LibXil Flash library APIs.

API Summary

The following is a summary list of APIs provided by the LibXil Flash library. The list is linked to the API description. Click on the API name to go to the description.

[int XFlash_Initialize \(XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 BaseAddress, u8 BusWidth, int IsPlatformFlash\)](#)
[int XFlash_Reset \(XFlash *InstancePtr\)](#)
[int XFlash_Read \(XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Offset, u32 Bytes, void *DestPtr\)](#)
[int XFlash_Write \(XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Offset, u32 Bytes, void *SrcPtr\)](#)
[int XFlash_Erase \(XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Offset, u32 Bytes\)](#)
[int XFlash_Lock \(XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Offset, u32 Bytes\)](#)
[int XFlash_UnLock \(XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Offset, u32 Bytes\)](#)
[int XFlash_DeviceControl \(XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Command, DeviceControl *Parameters\)](#)
[int XFlash_IsReady \(XFlash *InstancePtr\)](#)

XilFlash Library API Descriptions

```
int XFlash_Initialize (XFlash *InstancePtr, u32
    BaseAddress, u8 BusWidth, int IsPlatformFlash)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to XFlash Instance.</p> <p>BaseAddress is the base address of the Flash memory.</p> <p>BusWidth is the total width of the Flash memory, in bytes.</p> <p>IsPlatformFlash specifies whether the Flash memory is a Xilinx® Platform Flash configuration memory device.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS if successful.</p> <p>XFLASH_PART_NOT_SUPPORTED if the command set algorithm or the layout is not supported by any flash family compiled into the system.</p> <p>XFLASH_CFI_QUERY_ERROR if the device would not enter the CFI query mode. Either device doesn't support CFI or unsupported part layout exists or a hardware problem exists.</p>
Description	<p>Initializes a specific XFlash Instance.</p> <p>The initialization entails:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issuing the CFI query command • Identifying the Flash family and layout from CFI data • Setting the default options for the instance • Setting up the VTable • Initialize the Xilinx Platform Flash XL to Async mode if the user selects to use the Platform Flash XL. The Platform Flash XL is an Intel CFI complaint device.
Includes	<p>xilflash.h</p> <p>xilflash_cfi.h</p> <p>xilflash_intel.h</p> <p>xilflash_amd.h</p>

```
int XFlash_Reset (XFlash *InstancePtr)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to XFlash Instance.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS if Successful.</p> <p>XFLASH_BUSY if the flash devices were in the middle of an operation and could not be reset.</p> <p>XFLASH_ERROR if the device has experienced an internal error during the operation. XFlash_DeviceControl() must be used to access the cause of the device specific error condition.</p>
Description	<p>Resets the flash device and places it in read mode.</p>
Includes	<p>xilflash.h</p> <p>xilflash_cfi.h</p> <p>xilflash_intel.h</p> <p>xilflash_amd.h</p>

```
int XFlash_Read (XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Offset, u32
  Bytes, void *DestPtr)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to XFlash Instance.</p> <p><i>Offset</i> is the offset into the devices address space from which to read.</p> <p><i>Bytes</i> is the number of bytes to read.</p> <p><i>DestPtr</i> is the destination Address to copy data to.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS if successful.</p> <p>XFLASH_ADDRESS_ERROR if the source address did not start within the addressable areas of the device.</p>
Description	This API reads the data from the flash device and copies it into the specified user buffer. The source and destination addresses can be on any alignment supported by the processor.
Includes	<p>xilflash.h</p> <p>xilflash_cfi.h</p> <p>xilflash_intel.h</p> <p>xilflash_amd.h</p>

```
int XFlash_Write (XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Offset,
  u32Bytes, void *SrcPtr)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to XFlash Instance.</p> <p><i>Offset</i> is the offset into the devices address space from which to begin programming.</p> <p><i>Bytes</i> is the number of bytes to Program.</p> <p><i>SrcPtr</i> is the Source Address containing data to be programmed.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS if successful.</p> <p>XFLASH_ERROR if a write error has occurred. The error is usually device specific. Use <code>XFlash_DeviceControl()</code> to retrieve specific error conditions. When this error is returned, it is possible that the target address range was only partially programmed.</p>
Description	<p>Programs the flash device with the data specified in the user buffer. The source and destination addresses must be aligned to the width of the flash data bus.</p> <p>If the processor supports unaligned access, then the source address does not need to be aligned to the flash width; however, this library is generic, and because some processors (such as MicroBlaze™ processors) do not support unaligned access, this API requires that the source address be aligned.</p>
Includes	<p>xilflash.h</p> <p>xilflash_cfi.h</p> <p>xilflash_intel.h</p> <p>xilflash_amd.h</p>

```
int XFlash_Erase (XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Offset, u32  
Bytes)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to XFlash Instance.</p> <p><i>Offset</i> is the offset into the devices address space from which to begin erasure.</p> <p><i>Bytes</i> is the number of bytes to Erase.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS if successful.</p> <p>XFLASH_ADDRESS_ERROR if the destination address range is not completely within the addressable areas of the device.</p>
Description	<p>This API erases the specified address range in the flash device. The number of bytes to erase can be any number as long as it is within the bounds of the devices.</p>
Includes	<p>xilflash.h</p> <p>xilflash_cfi.h</p> <p>xilflash_intel.h</p> <p>xilflash_amd.h</p>

```
int XFlash_Lock (XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Offset, u32  
Bytes)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to XFlash instance.</p> <p><i>Offset</i> is the offset of the block address into the devices address space which need to be locked.</p> <p><i>Bytes</i> is the number of bytes to be locked.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS if successful.</p> <p>XFLASH_ADDRESS_ERROR if the destination address range is not completely within the addressable areas of the device.</p>
Description	<p>Locks a block in the flash device.</p>
Includes	<p>xilflash.h</p> <p>xilflash_cfi.h</p> <p>xilflash_intel.h</p> <p>xilflash_amd.h</p>

```
int XFlash_UnLock (XFlash *InstancePtr, u32 Offset, u32
  Bytes)
```

Parameters	<i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to XFlash Instance. <i>Offset</i> is the offset of the block address into the devices address space which need to be unlocked. <i>Bytes</i> is the number of bytes to be unlocked.
Returns	XST_SUCCESS if successful. XFLASH_ADDRESS_ERROR if the destination address range is not completely within the addressable areas of the device.
Description	Unlocks previously locked blocks that are locked.
Includes	xilflash.h xilflash_cfi.h xilflash_intel.h xilflash_amd.h

```
int XFlash_DeviceControl (XFlash *InstancePtr, u32
  Command, DeviceControl *Parameters)
```

Parameters	<i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to XFlash Instance. <i>Command</i> is the device specific command to issue. <i>Parameters</i> specifies the arguments passed to the device control function.
Returns	XST_SUCCESS if successful. XFLASH_NOT_SUPPORTED if the command is not supported by the device.
Description	Executes device specific commands.
Includes	xilflash.h xilflash_cfi.h xilflash_intel.h xilflash_amd.h

```
int XFlash_IsReady (XFlash *InstancePtr)
```

Parameters	<i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to XFlash instance.
Returns	TRUE if the device has been initialized; otherwise, FALSE.
Description	Checks the device readiness, signifying successful initialization.
Includes	xilflash.h xilflash_cfi.h xilflash_intel.h xilflash_amd.h

Libgen Customization

XilFlash Library can be integrated with a system using the following snippet in the Microprocessor Software Specification (MSS) file:

```
BEGIN LIBRARY
PARAMETER LIBRARY_NAME = xilflash
PARAMETER LIBRARY_VER = 4.1
PARAMETER PROC_INSTANCE = microblaze_0
PARAMETER ENABLE_INTEL = true
PARAMETER ENABLE_AMD = false
END
```

Where:

- LIBRARY_NAME—Is the library name (xilflash).
- LIBRARY_VER—Is the library version (4.1).
- PROC_INSTANCE—Is the processor name (microblaze_0).
- ENABLE_INTEL—Enables or disables the Intel flash device family (true|false).
- ENABLE_AMD—Enables or disables the AMD flash device family (true|false).

LibXil Isf Library Overview

The LibXil Isf library:

- Allows the user to Write, Read, and Erase the Serial Flash.
- Allows protection of the data stored in the Serial Flash from unwarranted modification by enabling the Sector Protection feature.
- Supports multiple instances of Serial Flash at a time, provided they are of the same device family (Atmel, Intel, STM, Winbond, SST, or Spansion) as the device family is selected at compile time.
- Allows the user application to perform Control operations on Intel, STM, Winbond, SST, and Spansion Serial Flash.
- Requires the underlying hardware platform to contain the axi_quad_spi, ps7_spi, or ps7_qspi device for accessing the Serial Flash.
- Uses the Xilinx® SPI interface drivers in interrupt-driven mode or polled mode for communicating with the Serial Flash. In interrupt mode, the user application must acknowledge any associated interrupts from the Interrupt Controller.

Additional information:

- In interrupt mode, the application is required to register a callback to the library and the library registers an internal status handler to the selected interface driver.
- When the user application requests a library operation, it is initiated and control is given back to the application. The library tracks the status of the interface transfers, and notifies the user application upon completion of the selected library operation.
- Added support in the library for SPI PS and QSPI PS. User needs to select one of the interfaces at compile time.

Supported Devices

Table 1 lists the supported Xilinx In-System Flash and external Serial Flash Memories.

Table 1: Xilinx In-System Flash and External Serial Flash Memories

Device Series	Manufacturer
AT45DB011D AT45DB021D AT45DB041D AT45DB081D AT45DB161D AT45DB321D AT45DB642D	Atmel
S3316MBIT S3332MBIT S3364MBIT M25P05_A M25P10_A M25P20 M25P40 M25P80 M25P16 M25P32 M25P64 M25P128 N25Q32 N25Q64 N25Q128	Intel/ST Microelectronics (STM)/Numonyx ¹
W25Q16 W25Q32 W25Q64 W25Q80 W25Q128 W25X10 W25X20 W25X40 W25X80 W25X16 W25X32 W25X64	Winbond
S25FL004 S25FL008 S25FL016 S25FL032 S25FL064 S25FL128 S25FL129 S25FL256 S25FL512 S70FL01G	Spansion

1. Intel and STM Serial Flash devices are now a part of Serial Flash devices provided by Numonyx.

Table 1: Xilinx In-System Flash and External Serial Flash Memories (Cont'd)

Device Series	Manufacturer
SST25WF080	SST
N25Q064 N25Q128 N25Q256 N25Q512 N25Q00	Micron

1. Intel and STM Serial Flash devices are now a part of Serial Flash devices provided by Numonyx.

LibXil Isf Library APIs

This section provides a linked summary and detailed descriptions of the LibXil Isf library APIs.

API Summary

The following is a summary list of APIs provided by the LibXil Isf library. The list is linked to the API description. Click the API name to go to the description.

```

int XlIsf_Initialize(XlIsf *InstancePtr, XSpi *SpiInstPtr, u32 SlaveSelect, u8 *WritePtr)
int XlIsf_GetStatus(XlIsf *InstancePtr, u8 *ReadPtr)
int XlIsf_GetStatusReg2(XlIsf *InstancePtr, u8 *ReadPtr)
int XlIsf_GetDeviceInfo(XlIsf *InstancePtr, u8 *ReadPtr)
int XlIsf_Read(XlIsf *InstancePtr, XlIsf_ReadOperation Operation, void *OpParamPtr)
int XlIsf_Write(XlIsf *InstancePtr, XlIsf_WriteOperation Operation, void *OpParamPtr)
int XlIsf_Erase(XlIsf *InstancePtr, XlIsf_EraseOperation Operation, u32 Address)
void XlIsf_SetStatusHandler(XlIsf *InstancePtr, XlIsf_Iface *XlIsfIfaceInstancePtr
XlIsf_StatusHandler XlIsf_Handler);
int XlIsf_SectorProtect(XlIsf *InstancePtr, XlIsf_SpOperation Operation, u8 *BufferPtr)
int XlIsf_WriteEnable(XlIsf *InstancePtr, u8 WriteEnable)
int XlIsf_Ioctl(XlIsf *InstancePtr, XlIsf_IoctlOperation Operation)
int XlIsf_SetSpiConfiguration(XlIsf *InstancePtr, XlIsf_Iface *SpiInstPtr, u32 Options, u8 PreS-
caler)
inline void XlIsf_SetTransferMode(XlIsf *InstancePtr, u8 Mode)

```


LibXil Isf API Descriptions

```
int XIsf_Initialize(XIsf *InstancePtr, XSpi *SpiInstPtr,
    u32 SlaveSelect, u8 *WritePtr)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance.</p> <p><i>SpiInstPtr</i> is a pointer to the XSpi instance to be worked on.</p> <p><i>SlaveSelect</i> is a 32-bit mask with a 1 in the bit position of the slave being selected. Only one slave can be selected at a time.</p> <p><i>WritePtr</i> is a pointer to the buffer allocated by the user to be used by the In-system and Serial Flash Library to perform any read/write operations on the Serial Flash device.</p> <p>User applications must initialize the Isf library by passing the address of this buffer to the Initialization API.</p> <p>For Write operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> " A minimum of one byte and a maximum of ISF_PAGE_SIZE bytes can be written to the Serial Flash, through a single Write operation. " The buffer size must be equal to the number of bytes to be written to the Serial Flash + XISF_CMD_MAX_EXTRA_BYTES, and must be large enough for use across the applications that use a common instance of the Serial Flash. <p>For Non Write operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> " The buffer size must be equal to XISF_CMD_MAX_EXTRA_BYTES.
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS upon success.</p> <p>XST_DEVICE_IS_STOPPED if the device must be started before transferring data.</p> <p>XST_FAILURE upon failure.</p>
Description	<p>The geometry of the underlying Serial Flash is determined by reading the Joint Electron Device Engineering Council (JEDEC) Device Information and the Serial Flash Status Register.</p> <p>When called, this API initializes the SPI interface with default settings. With custom settings, the user should call XIsf_SetSpiConfiguration() before calling this API.</p> <p>Note: The XIsf_Initialize() API is a blocking call (for both polled mode and interrupt mode of the SPI driver). It reads the JEDEC information of the device and waits till the transfer is complete before checking if the information is valid.</p> <p>Support multiple instances of Serial Flash at a time, provided they are of the same device family (either Atmel, Intel, STM, Winbond, or SST) as the device family is selected at compile time.</p>
Includes	xilisf.h

```
int XIsf_GetStatus(XIsf *InstancePtr, u8 *ReadPtr)
```

Parameters	<i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance. <i>ReadPtr</i> is a pointer to the memory where the Status Register content is copied.
Returns	XST_SUCCESS upon success XST_FAILURE upon failure
Description	Reads the Serial Flash Status Register. Note: The status register content is stored at the second byte pointed by the <i>ReadPtr</i> .
Includes	xilif.h

```
int XIsf_GetStatusReg2(XIsf *InstancePtr, u8 *ReadPtr)
```

Parameters	<i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance. <i>ReadPtr</i> is a pointer to the memory where the Status Register content is copied.
Returns	XST_SUCCESS upon success XST_FAILURE upon failure
Description	Reads the Serial Flash Status Register2. this API is valid only for Windbond (W25QXX) flash devices. Note: The status register content is stored at the second byte pointed by the <i>ReadPtr</i> .
Includes	xilif.h

```
int XIsf_GetDeviceInfo(XIsf *InstancePtr, u8 *ReadPtr)
```

Parameters	<i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance. <i>ReadPtr</i> is a pointer to the memory where the Device information is copied.
Returns	XST_SUCCESS upon success. XST_FAILURE upon failure.
Description	Reads the JEDEC information of the Serial Flash. Note: The Device information is stored at the second byte pointed by the <i>ReadPtr</i> .
Includes	xilif.h

```
int XIsf_Read(XIsf *InstancePtr, XIsf_ReadOperation
              Operation, void *OpParamPtr)
```

Parameters

InstancePtr is a pointer to the XIsf instance.

Operation is the type of the read operation to be performed on the Serial Flash.

The *Operation* options are:

XISF_READ: Normal Read

XISF_FAST_READ: Fast Read

XISF_PAGE_TO_BUF_TRANS: Page to Buffer Transfer

XISF_BUFFER_READ: Buffer Read

XISF_FAST_BUFFER_READ: Fast Buffer Read

XISF_OTP_READ: One Time Programmable Area (OTP) Read.

XISF_DUAL_OP_FAST_READ: Dual Output Fast Read

XISF_DUAL_IO_FAST_READ: Dual Input/Output Fast Read

XISF_QUAD_OP_FAST_READ: Quad Output Fast Read

XISF_QUAD_IO_FAST_READ: Quad Input/Output Fast Read

OpParamPtr is the pointer to structure variable which contains operational parameter of specified Operation. This parameter type is dependent on the type of Operation to be performed.

When specifying Normal Read (XISF_READ), Fast Read

(XISF_FAST_READ) and One Time Programmable Area

Read(XISF_OTP_READ), Dual Output Fast Read

(XISF_DUAL_OP_FAST_READ), Dual Input/Output Fast Read

(XISF_DUAL_IO_FAST_READ), Quad Output Fast Read

(XISF_QUAD_OP_FAST_READ) and Quad Input/Output Fast Read

(XISF_QUAD_IO_FAST_READ):

" *OpParamPtr* must be of type struct *XIsf_ReadParam*.

" *OpParamPtr->Address* is the start address in the Serial Flash.

" *OpParamPtr->ReadPtr* is a pointer to the memory where the data read from the Serial Flash is stored.

" *OpParamPtr->NumBytes* is number of bytes to read.

" *OpParamPtr->NumDummyBytes* is the number of dummy bytes to be transmitted for the Read command. This parameter is only used in case of Dual and Quad reads.

Normal Read and Fast Read operations are supported for Atmel, Intel, STM, Winbond, SST, and Spansion Serial Flash. Dual and quad reads are supported for Winbond (W25QXX), Numonyx (N25QXX) and Spansion (S25FL129) quad flash. OTP Read operation is only supported in Intel Serial Flash.

When specifying Page To Buffer Transfer (XISF_PAGE_TO_BUF_TRANS):

" *OpParamPtr* must be of type struct

XIsf_FlashToBufTransferParam.

" *OpParamPtr->BufferNum* specifies the internal SRAM Buffer of the Serial Flash. The valid values are XISF_PAGE_BUFFER1 or XISF_PAGE_BUFFER2. XISF_PAGE_BUFFER2 is not valid in the case of AT45DB011D Flash as it contains a single buffer.

" *OpParamPtr->Address* is start address in the Serial Flash.

This operation is only supported in Atmel Serial Flash.

XIsf_Read (continued)

Parameters	<p>When specifying Buffer Read (XISF_BUFFER_READ) and Fast Buffer Read (XISF_FAST_BUFFER_READ):</p> <p>" <i>OpParamPtr</i> must be of type struct <i>XIsf_BufferReadParam</i>.</p> <p>" <i>OpParamPtr->BufferNum</i> specifies the internal SRAM Buffer of the Serial Flash. The valid values are XISF_PAGE_BUFFER1 or XISF_PAGE_BUFFER2. XISF_PAGE_BUFFER2 is not valid in the case of AT45DB011D Flash as it contains a single buffer.</p> <p>" <i>OpParamPtr->ReadPtr</i> is pointer to the memory where the data read from the SRAM buffer is to be stored.</p> <p>" <i>OpParamPtr->ByteOffset</i> is byte offset in the SRAM buffer from where the first byte is read.</p> <p>" <i>OpParamPtr->NumBytes</i> is the number of bytes to be read from the Buffer.</p> <p>These operations are supported only in Atmel Serial Flash.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS upon success.</p> <p>XST_FAILURE upon failure.</p>
Description	<p>Reads the data from the Serial Flash.</p> <p>Note: Application must fill the structure elements of the third argument and pass its pointer by type casting it with void pointer.</p> <p>The valid data is available from the fourth location pointed to by the <i>ReadPtr</i> for Normal Read and Buffer Read operations.</p> <p>The valid data is available from the fifth location pointed to by the <i>ReadPtr</i> for Fast Read, Fast Buffer Read, and OTP Read operations.</p> <p>The valid data is available from the (4 + <i>NumDummyBytes</i>) location pointed to by <i>ReadPtr</i> for Dual/Quad Read operations.</p>
Includes	xilisf.h

```
int XIsf_Write(XIsf *InstancePtr, XIsf_WriteOperation
               Operation, void *OpParamPtr)
```

Parameters *InstancePtr* is a pointer to the XIsf instance.
 Operation is the type of write operation to be performed on the Serial Flash.

The *Operation* options are:

```
" XISF_WRITE: Normal Write
" XISF_DUAL_IP_PAGE_WRITE: Dual Input Fast Program
" XISF_DUAL_IP_EXT_PAGE_WRITE: Dual Input Extended Fast Program
" XISF_QUAD_IP_PAGE_WRITE: Quad Input Fast Program
" XISF_QUAD_IP_EXT_PAGE_WRITE: Quad Input Extended Fast Program
" XISF_AUTO_PAGE_WRITE: Auto Page Write
" XISF_BUFFER_WRITE: Buffer Write
" XISF_BUF_TO_PAGE_WRITE_WITH_ERASE: Buffer to Page Transfer with
  Erase
" XISF_BUF_TO_PAGE_WRITE_WITHOUT_ERASE: Buffer to Page Transfer
  without Erase
" XISF_WRITE_STATUS_REG: Status Register Write
" XISF_WRITE_STATUS_REG2: 2 byte Status Register Write
" XISF_OTP_WRITE: OTP Write.
```

OpParamPtr is the pointer to a structure variable which contains operational parameters of specified operation.

This parameter type is dependant upon the value of first argument (*Operation*).

When specifying Normal Write (XISF_WRITE): Dual Input Fast Program (XISF_DUAL_IP_PAGE_WRITE), Dual Input Extended Fast Program (XISF_DUAL_IP_EXT_PAGE_WRITE), Quad Input Fast Program (XISF_QUAD_IP_PAGE_WRITE), Quad Input Extended Fast Program (XISF_QUAD_IP_EXT_PAGE_WRITE):

```
" OpParamPtr must be of type struct XIsf_WriteParam.
" OpParamPtr->Address is the start address in the Serial Flash.
" OpParamPtr->WritePtr is a pointer to the data to be written to the Serial
  Flash.
" OpParamPtr->NumBytes is the number of bytes to be written to the Serial
  Flash.
```

This operation is supported for Atmel, Intel, STM, Winbond, and Spansion Serial Flash.

For SST, only normal write is applicable.

When specifying the Auto Page Write (XISF_AUTO_PAGE_WRITE):

```
" OpParamPtr must be of 32 bit unsigned integer variable. This is the address of
  page number in the Serial Flash which is to be refreshed.
```

This operation is only supported in Atmel Serial Flash.

When specifying the Buffer Write (XISF_BUFFER_WRITE):

```
" OpParamPtr must be of type struct XIsf_BufferWriteParam.
" OpParamPtr->BufferNum specifies the internal SRAM Buffer of the Serial
  Flash. The valid values are XISF_PAGE_BUFFER1 or XISF_PAGE_BUFFER2.
  XISF_PAGE_BUFFER2 is not valid in the case of AT45DB011D Flash as it
  contains a single buffer.
" OpParamPtr->WritePtr is a pointer to the data to be written to the Serial
  Flash SRAM Buffer.
" OpParamPtr->ByteOffset is byte offset in the buffer from where the data is
  to be written.
" OpParamPtr->NumBytes is number of bytes to be written to the Buffer.
```

XIsf_Write (continued)

Parameters	<p>This operation is supported only for Atmel Serial Flash. When specifying Buffer To Memory Write With Erase (<code>XISF_BUF_TO_PAGE_WRITE_WITH_ERASE</code>) or Buffer To Memory Write Without Erase (<code>XISF_BUF_TO_PAGE_WRITE_WITHOUT_ERASE</code>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> " <i>OpParamPtr</i> must be of type <code>struct XIsf_BufferToFlashWriteParam</code>. " <i>OpParamPtr->BufferNum</i> specifies the internal SRAM Buffer of the Serial Flash. The valid values are <code>XISF_PAGE_BUFFER1</code> or <code>XISF_PAGE_BUFFER2</code>. <code>XISF_PAGE_BUFFER2</code> is not valid in the case of AT45DB011D Flash as it contains a single buffer. " <i>OpParamPtr->Address</i> is starting address in the Serial Flash memory from where the data is to be written. <p>These operations are only supported in Atmel Serial Flash.</p> <p>When specifying Write Status Register (<code>XISF_WRITE_STATUS_REG</code>), the <i>OpParamPtr</i> must be an 8-bit unsigned integer variable. This is the value to be written to the Status Register.</p> <p>This operation is supported in Intel, STM, SST, and Winbond Serial Flash only.</p> <p>When specifying Write 2 Byte Status Register (<code>XISF_WRITE_STATUS_REG2</code>), the <i>OpParamPtr</i> must be of type (<code>u8 *</code>) and should point to two 8 bit unsigned integer values. This is the value to be written to the 16 bit Status Register</p> <p>Note: This operation is supported only in Winbond (W25QXX) Serial Flash.</p> <p>When specifying One Time Programmable Area Write (<code>XISF_OTP_WRITE</code>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> " <i>OpParamPtr</i> must be of type <code>struct XIsf_WriteParam</code>. " <i>OpParamPtr->Address</i> is the address in the SRAM Buffer of the Serial Flash to which the data is to be written. " <i>OpParamPtr->WritePtr</i> is a pointer to the data to be written to the Serial Flash. " <i>OpParamPtr->NumBytes</i> should be set to 1 when performing OTPWrite operation. <p>This operation is only supported in Intel Serial Flash.</p>
Returns	<p><code>XST_SUCCESS</code> upon success.</p> <p><code>XST_FAILURE</code> upon failure.</p>
Description	<p>Writes data to the Serial Flash.</p> <p>Note: Application must fill the structure elements of the third argument and pass its pointer by type casting it with void pointer.</p> <p>For Intel, STM, Winbond, SST, and Spansion Serial Flash the user application must call the <code>XIsf_WriteEnable()</code> API by passing <code>XISF_WRITE_ENABLE</code> as an argument before calling the <code>XIsf_Write()</code> API.</p>
Includes	<code>xilisf.h</code>

```
int XIsf_Erase(XIsf *InstancePtr, XIsf_EraseOperation
               Operation, u32 Address)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance.</p> <p><i>Operation</i> is the type of Erase operation to be performed on the Serial Flash.</p> <p>The different operations are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> " XISF_PAGE_ERASE: Page Erase " XISF_BLOCK_ERASE: Block Erase " XISF_SECTOR_ERASE: Sector Erase " XISF_BULK_ERASE: Bulk Erase <p><i>Address</i> is the address of the Page/Block/Sector to be erased. The address can be either Page address, Block address or Sector address based on the Erase operation to be performed.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS upon success.</p> <p>XST_FAILURE upon failure.</p>
Description	<p>Erases the contents of the specified memory in the Serial Flash.</p> <p>Note: The erased bytes will read as 0xFF.</p> <p>For Intel, STM, Winbond, and Spansion Serial Flash the user application must call <code>XIsf_WriteEnable()</code> API by passing <code>XISF_WRITE_ENABLE</code> as an argument before calling the <code>XIsf_Erase()</code> API.</p> <p>Atmel, Intel, STM Winbond, Numonyx (N25QXX), and Spansion Serial Flash devices support Sector/Block/Bulk Erase operations.</p> <p>SST devices support all Erase commands.</p>
Includes	<code>xilisf.h</code>

```
void XIsf_SetStatusHandler(XIsf*InstancePtr, XIsf_Iface
                           *XifaceInstancePtr XIsf_StatusHandler XilIsf_Handler);
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance.</p> <p><i>XifaceInstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf_Iface instance to be worked on.</p> <p><i>XilIsf_Handler</i> is the status handler for the application.</p>
Returns	None
Description	<p>Sets the application status handler.</p> <p>The library will register an internal handler to the interface driver.</p>
Includes	<code>xilisf.h</code>

```
int XIsf_SectorProtect(XIsf *InstancePtr, XIsf_SpOperation
    Operation, u8 *BufferPtr)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance.</p> <p><i>Operation</i> is the type of Sector Protect operation to be performed on the Serial Flash.</p> <p>The Operation options are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> " XISF_SPR_READ: Read Sector Protection Register " XISF_SPR_WRITE: Write Sector Protection Register " XISF_SPR_ERASE: Erase Sector Protection Register " XISF_SP_ENABLE: Enable Sector Protection " XISF_SP_DISABLE: Disable Sector Protection <p><i>BufferPtr</i> is a pointer to the memory where the SPR content is read to/written from. This argument can be NULL if the Operation is SprErase, SpEnable and SpDisable.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS upon success.</p> <p>XST_FAILURE upon failure.</p>
Description	<p>Performs Sector Protect operations.</p> <p>Note: The SPR content is stored at the fourth location pointed by the BufferPtr when performing XISF_SPR_READ operation.</p> <p>For Intel, STM, Winbond, and Spansion Serial Flash devices the user application must call the XIsf_WriteEnable() API by passing XISF_WRITE_ENABLE as an argument, before calling the XIsf_SectorProtect() API, for Sector Protect Register Write (XISF_SPR_WRITE) operation.</p> <p>Atmel Flash supports all these Sector Protect operations.</p> <p>Intel, STM, Winbond, and Spansion support only Sector Protect Read and Sector Protect Write operations.</p>
Includes	xilisf.h

```
int XIsf_WriteEnable(XIsf *InstancePtr, u8 WriteEnable)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance.</p> <p><i>WriteEnable</i> specifies whether to enable (XISF_CMD_ENABLE_WRITE) or disable (XISF_CMD_DISABLE_WRITE) the writes to the Serial Flash.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS upon success.</p> <p>XST_FAILURE upon failure.</p>
Description	<p>Enables/Disables writes to the Intel, STM, Winbond, SST, and Spansion Serial Flash.</p> <p>Note: If this API is called for Atmel Flash, XST_FAILURE is returned.</p>
Includes	xilisf.h


```
int XIsf_Ioctl (XIsf *InstancePtr, XIsf_IoctlOperation
               Operation)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance.</p> <p><i>Operation</i> is the type of Control operation to be performed on the Serial Flash.</p> <p>The control Operations options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> " XISF_RELEASE_DPD: Release from Deep Power Down (DPD) Mode " XISF_ENTER_DPD: Enter DPD Mode " XISF_CLEAR_SR_FAIL_FLAGS: Clear the Status Register Fail Flags.
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS upon success.</p> <p>XST_FAILURE upon failure.</p>
Description	<p>This API configures and controls the Intel, STM, Winbond, and Spansion Serial Flash.</p> <p>Note: Atmel Serial Flash does not support any of these operations.</p> <p>Intel Serial Flash support Enter/Release from DPD Mode and Clear Status Register Fail Flags.</p> <p>STM, Winbond, and Spansion Serial Flash support Enter/Release from DPD Mode.</p> <p>Winbond (W25QXX) supports Enable High performance mode.</p>
Includes	xilisf.h

```
int XIsf_SetSpiConfiguration (XIsf *InstancePtr, XIsf_Iface
                               *SpiInstPtr, u32 Options, u8 PreScaler)
```

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance.</p> <p><i>SpiInstPtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf_Iface instance to be worked on.</p> <p><i>Options</i> contains specified options to be set.</p> <p><i>PreScaler</i> is the value of the clock prescaler to set.</p>
Returns	<p>XST_SUCCESS upon success.</p> <p>XST_FAILURE upon failure.</p>
Description	<p>Sets the configuration of SPI. This API can be called before calling XIsf_Initialize() to operate the SPI interface in a mode other than the default options mode.</p> <p><i>PreScaler</i> is only applicable to PS SPI/QSPI.</p>
Includes	xilisf.h

```
inline void XIsf_SetTransferMode (XIsf *InstancePtr, u8
                                   Mode)
```

This API sets the interrupt/polling mode of transfer.

Parameters	<p><i>InstancePtr</i> is a pointer to the XIsf instance.</p> <p><i>Mode</i> is the value to be set.</p>
Returns	None.
Description	By default, the xilisf library is designed to operate in polling mode. User needs to call this API, if operating in Interrupt Mode.

Libgen Customization

The LibXil Isf library can be integrated with a system using the following snippet in the Microprocessor Software Specification (MSS) file.

```
BEGIN LIBRARY
  parameter LIBRARY_NAME = xilisf
  parameter LIBRARY_VER = 5.2
  parameter PROC_INSTANCE = microblaze_0
  parameter serial_flash_family = 1
  parameter serial_flash_interface = 1
END
```

Where:

- LIBRARY_NAME—Is the library name (xilisf).
- LIBRARY_VER—Is the library version (5.2).
- PROC_INSTANCE—Is the processor instance (microblaze_0 | ps7_cortexa9_0)
- serial_flash_family—Is a numerical value representing the serial flash family, where:
 - 1 = Xilinx In-system Flash or Atmel Serial Flash
 - 2 = Intel (Numonyx) S33 Serial Flash
 - 3 = STM (Numonyx) M25PXX/N25QXX Serial Flash
 - 4 = Winbond Serial Flash
 - 5 = Spansion Serial Flash/Micron Serial Flash
 - 6 = SST Serial Flash
- serial_flash_interface - Is a numerical value representing the serial flash interface, where:
 - 1 = AXI QSPI Interface
 - 2 = SPI PS Interface
 - 3 = QSPI PS Interface

Additional Resources

- *Spartan-3AN FPGA In-System Flash User Guide* (UG333):
http://www.xilinx.com/support/documentation/user_guides/ug333.pdf
- Atmel Serial Flash Memory website (AT45XXXD):
http://www.atmel.com/dyn/products/devices.asp?family_id=616#1802
- Intel (Numonyx) S33 Serial Flash Memory website (S33):
http://www.numonyx.com/Documents/Datasheets/314822_S33_Discrete_DS.pdf
- STM (Numonyx) M25PXX Serial Flash Memory website (M25PXX):
<http://www.numonyx.com/en-US/MemoryProducts/NORserial/Pages/M25PTechnicalDocuments.aspx>
- Winbond Serial Flash Page:
<http://www.winbond-usa.com/hq/enu/ProductAndSales/ProductLines/FlashMemory/SerialFlash/>
- Spansion website: <http://www.spansion.com/Support/Pages/DatasheetsIndex.aspx>
- SST SST25WF080: <http://www.sst.com/dotAsset/40369.pdf>

Overview

The LibXil fat file system (FFS) library consists of a file system and a glue layer. This FAT file system can be used with an interface supported in the glue layer.

The file system code is open source and is used as it is. Glue layer implementation supports SD/eMMC interface presently.

Application should make use of APIs provided in ff.h. These file system APIs access the driver functions through the glue layer.

File System Files

Table 1: File System Files

File	Description
ff.c	Implements all the file system APIs
ff.h	File system header
ffconf.h	File system configuration header – File system configurations such as READ_ONLY, MINIMAL etc. can be set here. This library uses _FS_MINIMIZE and _FS_TINY and Read/Write (NOT read only)
Integer.h	Contains type definitions used by file system

Glue Layer Files

Table 2: Glue Layer Files

File	Description
diskio.c	Glue layer – implements the function used by file system to call the driver APIs
diskio.h	Glue layer header

Choosing a File System with an SD Interface

To choose a file system with an SD interface:

1. In SDK, create a new bsp and select the xilffs library.
2. In xilffs options, set **fs_interface = 1** to select **SD/eMMC**. This is the default value. When this option is set, make sure there is an SD/eMMC interface available.
3. SD driver provides support for SD and eMMC. To select eMMC, set **enable_mmc = true**; This parameter is “false” by default.
4. Build the bsp and application to use the file system with SD/eMMC.

Library Parameters in MSS File

The MSS file contains the following library parameters:

```
parameter LIBRARY_NAME = xilffs
```

```
parameter LIBRARY_VER = 3.0
```

```
parameter PROC_INSTANCE = ps7_cortex_a9_0
```

```
parameter fs_interface = 1
```

```
parameter enable_mmc = false
```

- **LIBRARY_NAME**: Library name (xilffs)
- **LIBRARY_VER**: Library version (3.0)
- **PROC_INSTANCE**: Processor instance (ps7_cortexa9_0) ps7_cortexa9_0 here.
- **fs_interface**: File system interface. Currently SD/eMMC is the only interface supported.
 - Value: "1" for SD/eMMC
 - Default value is "1".
- **enable_mmc**: Flag to choose eMMC or SD.
 - false: SD interface
 - true: eMMC interface
 - Default value is false

File System

The file system supports FAT16 and FAT32. The APIs are standard file system APIs. A detailed description can be found at http://elm-chan.org/fsw/ff/00index_e.html.

Revision R0.10b is used in the library.